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A SELL-OUT

IF any proof were needed that Hongkong regarded the Duke of Edinburgh's visit as the most important event in years, newspaper sales give the clearest indication of public interest. An extra large number of papers were printed yet both editions of last Friday's China Mail were entirely sold out. On Friday evening, people came to the China Mail office asking for spare copies when there were no longer papers to be bought on the streets. There was a repetition of this big demand on Saturday. Other newspapers report a similar response.

An analysis of sales over the four-day period shows that more than 100,000 copies of the China Mail were sold. People wanted to follow what the Duke was doing and saying and how Hongkong reacted. In a city renowned for public interest in local affairs, this was a remarkable contrast. What does it show?

That in Hongkong as elsewhere, the husband of the Queen is regarded as the man of the moment. He is the representative of an institution by which the world's greatest association of free and politically independent nations are linked. His personality, his character, his stamp that institution as progressive, modern, harmonious and thoughtfully interested in the affairs of all its associates. The man who made headlines all around the world was in Hongkong making new headlines. This is what the people wanted to read.

INTO SPACE

AMERICA'S "moon rocket"
A Pioneer IV is today somewhere in the vastness of space, revolving around the sun like its bigger brother Lunik, the first man-made satellite in the solar system. The American success, after four earlier failures, got far less publicity than it deserved.

The earlier Russian achievement, with its dramatic progress traced almost hourly by Moscow Radio, overshadowed the American effort. But Pioneer having attained its minimum objective of passing the moon, proved that only bad luck prevented the Americans on at least one earlier occasion from claiming a spectacular "first" in its space rocket programme.

Far Bigger

INDEED Pioneer's ascent was all the more remarkable because of its size. Lunik was a far bigger projectile and it has been estimated that to put a vehicle of comparable size into orbit around the sun, the Americans would have needed 100 times more energy than was used to launch Pioneer.

America may justly claim therefore that since the odds against their success were far greater and because they relied so much on a more complex guiding mechanism, their achievement was a major scientific triumph. Russia still has a big lead in the development of powerful fuel propellants, however, and America cannot claim equality until this deficiency has been remedied.

EARLY MORNING SHAMSHUIPO BLAZE RENDERS 700 HOMELESS FOUR DIE IN SQUATTER FIRE

Ten Sent To Hospital For Treatment

By CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Four people died in a serious squatter fire which broke out shortly after 4 a.m. today near the Shek Kip Mei Resettlement Area, Shamshui.

Another ten were sent to Kowloon Hospital for treatment, two of whom were detained. The bodies have not yet been identified but one was a child.

Fanned By Wind

A Social Welfare officer said he believed that more than 700 had been made homeless. At 10 a.m., 625 people had been registered by them, he said.

The fire was first reported at seven minutes past four, but by the time the Fire Brigade had arrived at the scene the blaze, fanned by a fresh wind, had gained a strong hold.

The fire was brought under control after more than 40 firemen, under the direction of Mr W. J. Gorman, the Chief Fire Officer, had fought the flames for a little less than an hour. The fire was completely extinguished at 6.15 a.m.

Charred Bodies Found

Four charred bodies were found in one of the huts in the centre of the fire, and this morning Mr Gorman said he believed that this was where the fire originated. The Fire Brigade and Police are still making inquiries into the cause of the blaze.

Mr Gorman said there were many two-storey huts in the squatter area, housing a lot of "mushroom" industries, and an explosion could have been the cause. In all, an area of almost 20,000 square feet was affected. The same area was the scene of another squatter fire about three months ago, but quick action by the Fire Brigade at that time, prevented the fire from spreading.

UK's THOR BASES TO BE PUT ON 24-HOUR READINESS

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, March 11.
The United States is insisting that RAF crews manning the Thor missile sites in Britain must work under a permanent emergency schedule.

RAF chiefs have decided to operate a round-the-clock alert probably involving at least four shifts, from the moment the Thor becomes operational. That will be within the next few weeks.

This will ensure that the American-made missile will always be near ready for firing. The cost of maintaining them, which is borne entirely by the British taxpayer, will be much greater than was envisaged when the Thor agreement was signed a year ago.

Costs Up

It was then believed that a state of 24-hour readiness would not be necessary unless an emergency threatened. Now the whole complex guidance and target selection system connected with the Thor, will have to be kept in an equal state of readiness. Weapon maintenance costs will also be greatly increased because they will have to be erected, fuelled and de-fuelled more often than was originally planned.

Gyroscopes and other parts of the guidance system will have to be run-up to firing readiness more frequently, which means more repairs. The warheads, though under the control of American armoured units, will have to be attached to the rockets almost permanently. In exchange for having half-a-dozen on the firing button, Britain is paying £10,000,000 for the building of bases, plus the now-increased costs of manning them.—London Express Service.

Dockers Offer £15,000 For Jewels' Return

London, March 10.

Sir Bernard and Lady Docker today offered a £15,000 reward for the recovery of £150,000 worth of jewels stolen from their parked car at Southampton last night.

Two In Every Hundred Have TB In Hongkong

London, March 10.

Two per cent of the adult population of Hongkong have tuberculosis in an active form.

Mr Julian Amery, Colonial Under-Secretary, said this in the House of Commons today in reply to Mr S. S. Awbery (Lab-our).

Mr Amery said the death rate in 1958 was 33.8 per hundred thousand.

Campaigns

"In Singapore the death rate in 1957 was 61 per hundred thousand."

"In both places vigorous campaigns are being waged against the disease and in both all proved remedial measures employed in the United Kingdom are already applied."

Mr Awbery said the figures were highest in the world and cried aloud for more to be done than was being done at present to reduce the incidence of the disease.

Mr Amery replied: "The figures are very grave. In Hongkong the 1958 death rate was the lowest on record and the success of our efforts in Singapore may be measured by the fact that the death rate of 51 per 100,000 in 1957-58 compared with 117 per 100,000 in 1950."—Reuter.

Typhoon Sally Heading For Philippines

Manila, March 11.
The weather bureau reported at 6 a.m. today that it had located typhoon Sally some 600 miles east of southern Mindanao island and was moving at 13 miles per hour toward the Philippines. Sally, with maximum centre winds of 50 miles per hour would "not affect the Philippines within 30 hours," the weather bureau said.—U.P.I.

Dulles Gets Twelfth Dose

Washington, March 10.
Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, under treatment for subcutaneous cancer, received his 12th X-ray treatment today. The therapy began on February 20.—U.P.I.

Shah Hopes To Marry Swedish King's Daughter

Paris, March 10.
THE French weekly Ici Paris claimed today that Shah Reza Pahlavi of Iran hopes to marry Princess Brigitta, beautiful second daughter of the King of Sweden.

The popular weekly, which claimed to have been the first with the report that the Shah was interested in Italy's Princess Maria Gabriella, said the Shah had already approached the Swedish Royal Family.

The jewellery was taken from Sir Bernard's Rolls Royce while he and Lady Docker were dining at a nearby hotel. The thieves apparently had little difficulty in opening the car's door with a skeleton key and removing the jewels which had been placed under the carpet because the vehicle's strong-box was difficult to open.

All Insured

The car had remained parked on a deserted street for more than three hours. The jewellery, locked in a blue satchel box, included about 10 items. All were insured.

Lady Docker said the jewels were mostly of sentimental value. Most had been in the family for some time and others were given her by one of her ex-husbands, she said.

The police this morning began large-scale operations to recover the jewellery. Harbours and airports have been put under surveillance, precise descriptions of the stolen rings, earrings and necklaces sent to jewellers throughout Britain and searches undertaken in several Southampton buildings.

There were no indications whether the thieves were "untours" who happened to stumble upon the loot or experts, who had followed the Dockers' movements for some time.—France-Press.

U.S. ROCKET PLANE MAKES FIRST FLIGHT

Edwards Air Force Base, March 10.

The American X-15 rocket plane went aloft for the first time today in a successful test "flight" attached to a B-52 heavy bomber.

The bomber circled the base for 70 minutes before landing. The flight was the first in a series destined to lead to the first trip of a man into space, probably this summer.

The X-15 contained numerous instruments to record its behaviour in the air. Several similar "captive flights" of the plane will be held. If they are satisfactory, the aircraft will be detached from the bomber in flight.

It was possible that the plane might be released from its carrier aircraft sometime this week. The X-15 would then glide to a landing on the bed of a dried-up lake.—France-Press.

Moscow Visit

Djakarta, March 10.
Premier Djuanda of Indonesia said today he planned to visit Moscow between June and August. Antara News Agency reported.

Mr Djuanda has been invited by the Soviet Government.—Reuter.

Khrushchev Accuses Brandt Of Breaking Agreement

Berlin, March 10.

Mr Nikita Khrushchev today accused Herr Willy Brandt, the governing Mayor of West Berlin, of going back on a previous agreement to meet him.

Mr Khrushchev said the meeting between him and Herr Brandt had not been arranged in Leipzig or Berlin "but on soil other than German."

DENIAL

But a statement issued by the Berlin City Government press office said "The Governing Mayor of Berlin, Willy Brandt, states that the assertion of the Soviet Premier, Nikita Khrushchev, that there was an agreement between him and the governing Mayor of Berlin, made on non-German soil, to meet, is not correct."

Khrushchev, blamed the Western occupation authorities in Berlin for the refusal of Brandt to meet him to discuss the Berlin problem.

Khrushchev, in a statement made during a reception at the Soviet Embassy in East Berlin stated, "The reigning Mayor is under the orders of those who do not want a peace treaty nor a solution to the Berlin question and halt to the cold war."—Reuter and France-Press.

Khrushchev Gets A New Bath

London, March 10.

Mr Khrushchev, the Soviet Premier, is to get a new bath. It is a blue one made in Britain.

He saw it at the British Imperial Chemical Industries stand at the Leipzig fair last week.

Tonight a spokesman for the firm said it had now been offered to Mr Khrushchev—and he had accepted it.

The bath, the spokesman added, would be handed over to the fair's Russian director tonight.—Reuter.

THOUSANDS FLEE FROM MOSUL

By ARTHUR CHESWORTH

Cizre, March 10.

Thousands of frightened refugees from Mosul, the largest oil city in northern Iraq, and the headquarters of Shawaf's revolt, are making their way for the Turkish border to escape the fighting.

There is only one route open to them, which is the road along the Tigris valley to the small town of Cizre—centre of many American and English oil companies, at the junction of the Syrian, Turkish and Iraq borders.

The Turkish Police chief for the area told me in his office in Mardin, 130 miles from Cizre. "We closed the frontier at Cizre last Sunday when the trouble started in Iraq. I estimate that 2,000 to 3,000 refugees have arrived there. Many stayed around Cizre hoping to get into Turkey, but it will be some time before the frontier will be opened again depending on events in Iraq."

Little Heard

We have heard little of what has been happening there. It is impossible to telephone anywhere in the area, but I understand few of the people in northern Iraq wish to join Shawaf in his fight and I have heard he has only 10 to 5,000 men under him.

The whole northern frontier into Turkey and Syria is closed. Trains from Turkey, including the Istanbul express are turning back at the Turkish frontier station. Nureybin on the Turkish-Syrian border.—London Express Service.

Rebel Leaders Executed?

Cairo, March 10.

The Egyptian Government-sponsored Middle East News Agency reported from Damascus tonight that General Kassem, the Iraqi Premier, had ordered the deaths of all officers who took part in the revolt in northern Iraq and that 60 officers, including Colonel Shawaf, the leader, were executed this morning.—Reuter.

DENIAL

They are arriving in Cizre packed in cars, in buses and on horseback, but many are trekking the thirty, long rough opiate road on foot to be disappointed when they get there to find the frontier has been closed to them.

Catalina Crashes

Rio De Janeiro, March 10.
A Brazilian Air Force Catalina flying boat crashed near the northern city of Belo Horizonte today. Reports said 28 persons were killed.—U.P.I.

British Soldiers In Cyprus Arrested

Nicosia, March 10.

An official spokesman said tonight that 21 British soldiers under arrest had been charged with causing a disturbance on Sunday night in Famagusta's old city, inhabited exclusively by Turkish Cypriots.

All 21 are from the First

Royal Ulster Rifles, the spokesman said.

Investigations into a disturbance in the Greek sector of Famagusta on the same night are still continuing and an official source said tonight more soldiers might be arrested.—Reuter.

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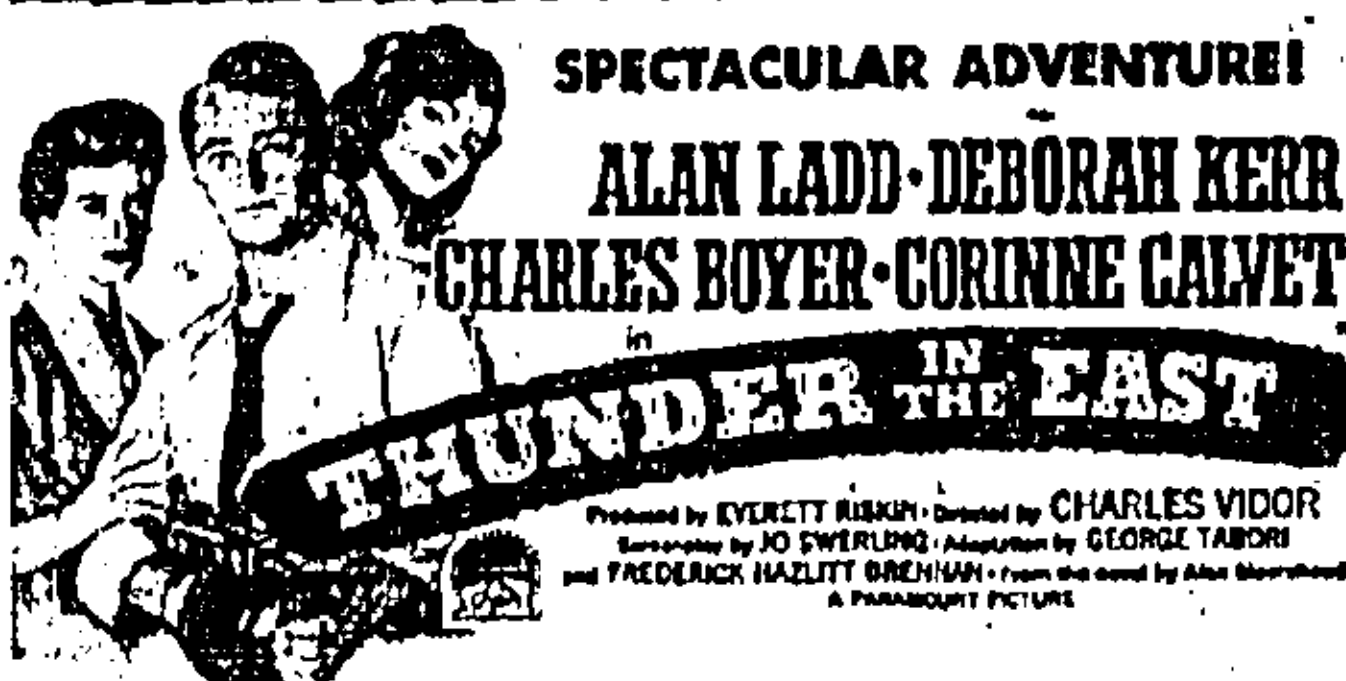
OPENS TO-DAY

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Pope John's 5-Volume History Is Finished

After 50 Years

By DAVID KELLY, SPECIAL TO THE CHINA MAIL

Vatican City, March 10.

A book by Pope John XXIII will be published shortly, the last of a five-volume historical study which it has taken him 50 years to write.

By his express request, no special publicity is being given to the appearance of this fifth volume of "The Acts of the Apostolic Visit of Saint Charles Borromeo to Bergamo."



THE POPE

The fly-leaf of the 497-page book will read: "By Angelo Roncalli, Cardinal Patriarch of Venice, with the collaboration of Don Pietro Forno."

The complete set of five volumes, bound in parchment, will cost \$28.

Pope John wrote the concluding chapter last summer during a holiday spent at his family's farmhouse at Sotto il Monte ("Under-the-Hill"), the little village in Bergamo diocese where he was born 77 years ago.

Scholarly

Since his election as Pope last October, he is reported to have spent many hours working over the proofs in his study.

The book is a scholarly, annotated work of historical research, based mainly on 29 volumes of old records documenting the visit which Cardinal Borromeo, Archbishop of Milan, made to his suffragan diocese of Bergamo in 1575.

Saint Charles, son of a Medici mother, nephew of Pope Pius IV and a Cardinal at the age of 22, is remembered as the first great prelate of the Counter-Reformation.

Before his death—at the age of 48, he had played a leading role in organizing the Council of Trent (1545-1563) and put into effect in his Archdiocese the reforms which the Council decreed to combat the spread of the Protestant Reformation.

Charity

He was well-known for his charity and his desire to care for his flock personally. During a terrible famine in 1870 he went from house to house collecting for the poor.

In 21 years in the See of Milan, he made thousands of visits to parishes in the work of rescuing his Archdiocese from the frequently scandalous state into which it had fallen. Three years spent in Bergamo in the course of these labours are the object of Pope John's present study.

The young Father Roncalli came across the dusty manuscript records of the visit as a young man browsing through the archives of the Ambrosian Library in Milan.

The librarian, Monsignor Achille Ratti, the future Pope Pius XI, encouraged him to undertake this study and helped him by having the manuscripts photocopied.

"I have spent 50 years in the company of Saint Charles," Cardinal Roncalli wrote in his conclusion last summer.

Buses Replace Peking's Trams

Peking, March 10.
Buses and trolley-buses today entirely replaced Peking's 55-year-old tram service in the city. More than one hundred additional buses and trolley-buses began operating this morning on three new lines. This completes the replacement of trams throughout Peking except for a few lines at the outer city—France Press.

Radioactivity From Cape Canaveral Rocket 'Hits' Passing Tanker

SPECIAL TO THE CHINA MAIL

Athens, March 10.

Greek sailors told how their tanker was "hit" by radioactivity off Cape Canaveral, in the Atlantic, and had to be scrapped.

The sailors belonged to the Panamanian tanker, Duchess which, they said, met a rocket while on a trip from the West Indies to Savannah, Georgia, last September.

The rocket, which they assumed was fired from the Cape Canaveral testing ground, Florida, narrowly missed the ship and fell into the sea about 500 yards away.

Watches Stop

According to the sailors, all electrical and magnetic equipment in the ship was put out of action, including the electric steering wheel, compass, radar and radio. Even wrist watches stopped. The engine was also affected and the vessel had to be towed to Savannah.

Experts who examined the tanker said most of its equipment was damaged by radioactivity and would need to be replaced. The owners, however, preferred to have her scrapped. The Duchess was eventually delivered to Italian shipyards for scrapping.

Big Buy

Los Angeles, March 10.
Paul J. Smith, a cartage firm executive, bought a 17-foot stuffed giraffe for \$155 at an auction yesterday.

"I really stuck my neck out," he commented after the sale.—U.P.I.

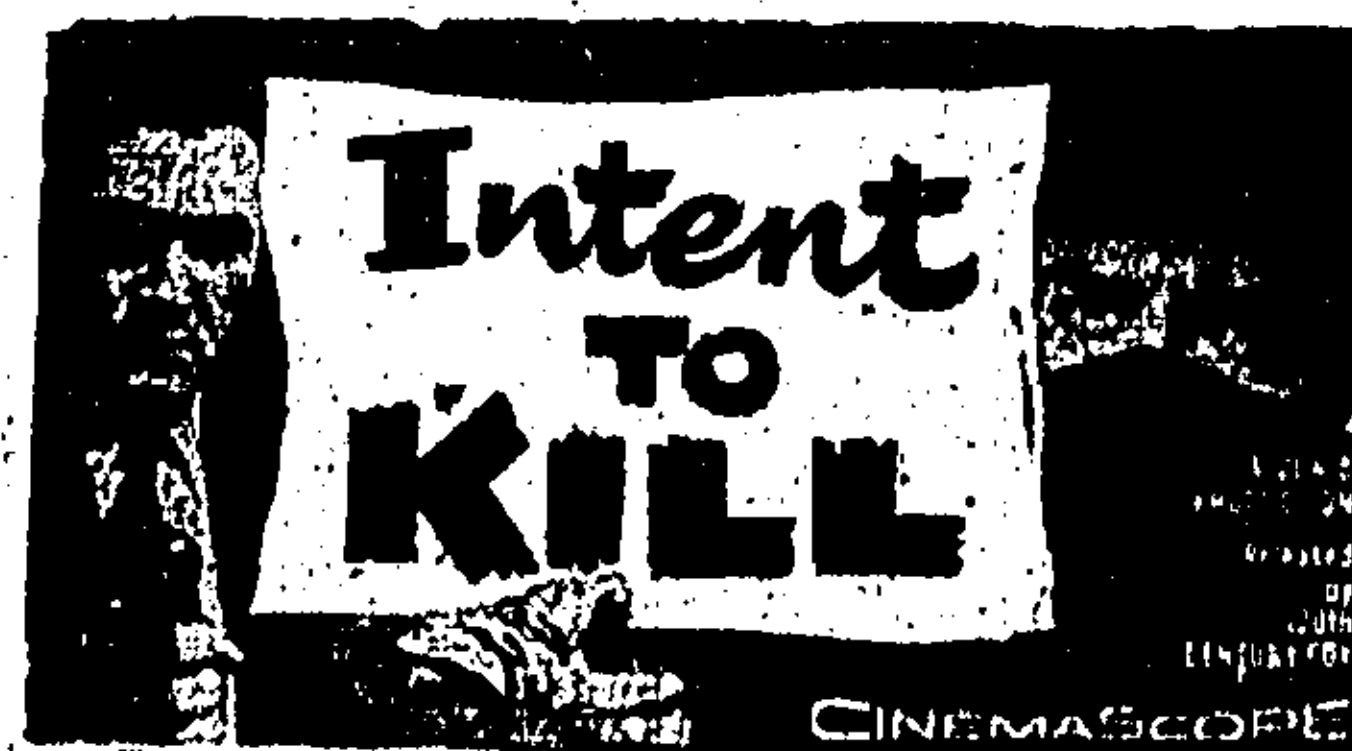
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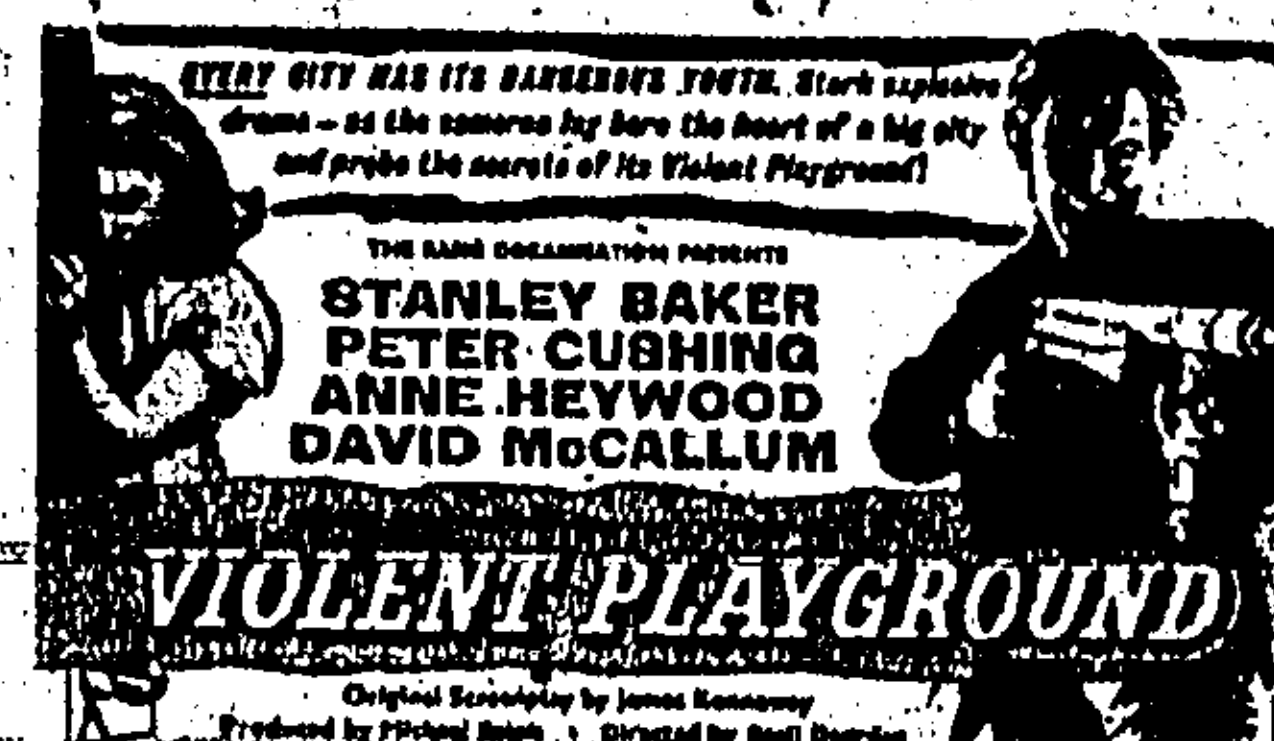
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Stanley Baker in "CHECK POINT"



CHURCHILL JOINS THE GIANTS OF BRITISH ART

London, March 11. Sir Winston Churchill joined the giants of British art today when 61 of his paintings were given a one-man exhibition at the Royal Academy here.

Only four other living artists have been so honoured — Augustus John, Sir Gerald Kelly, Sir Alfred Munnings and Leslie Brangwyn.

The road to the exhibition started in 1915 when leaving the Admiralty after the Dardanelles venture, the then Mr Churchill used a child's painting kit on a certain Sunday and unconsciously started his career as an artist.

The following year he was in Flanders and had two paintings done there. World War I scenes, are the earliest in the exhibition.

By 1925 he had so far progressed as to enter an art competition for amateurs—a competition in which the names of the competitors were unknown to the judges.

When one of the judges, the late Sir Joseph Duveen, art connoisseur, saw one of his paintings, he remarked: "That is obviously by a professional, and this is a contest for amateurs."

The painting in question was by Winston Spencer Churchill and his subject was "Winter Sunshine, Chartwell" which is his country home in Kent.

He won the competition. A letter on the back of the picture, also in the exhibition relates the story.

"David Winter"

Then in 1947 two paintings were submitted to the annual summer exhibition of the Royal Academy under the name of "David Winter". They were passed by the Selection Committee before they were identified as the work of Mr Churchill.

One of these pictures "The Silver Cup" has been lent to the exhibition by the trustees of the Tate Gallery.

The following year, with the consent of King George VI to the creation of a special new class of member, Mr Churchill became the first Honorary Academician Extraordinary of the Royal Academy.

Thirty-five of the pictures in the current exhibition which will last for a fortnight have been touring the United States, Australia and New Zealand, breaking records for attendance.

To these have been added 26 pictures mostly from Sir Winston's studio at Chartwell.

The paintings show his development as an artist from the time of the Flanders pictures until last year.

There are still life studies, seascapes and landscapes and one entitled "Bottlescape" lent by Lady Churchill.

This is a group of bottles, glasses and clear illuminated by an electric lamp—a still life that must have appealed to Sir Winston's sense of humour.

Art critics have their own views on Sir Winston's pictures.



Churchill
"Obviously a professional"

But taking a party of Pressmen up to the preview of the exhibition the lifeman was heard to ask a fellow workman in the Royal Academy "What do you think of them?" meaning the Churchill paintings.

"They're grand" was the reply, "but it's a pity there were not more."

The paintings have their settings mainly in France, Italy and Morocco.

Sir Winston was on holiday in Morocco recently. There are a number of studies of the garden at Chartwell.

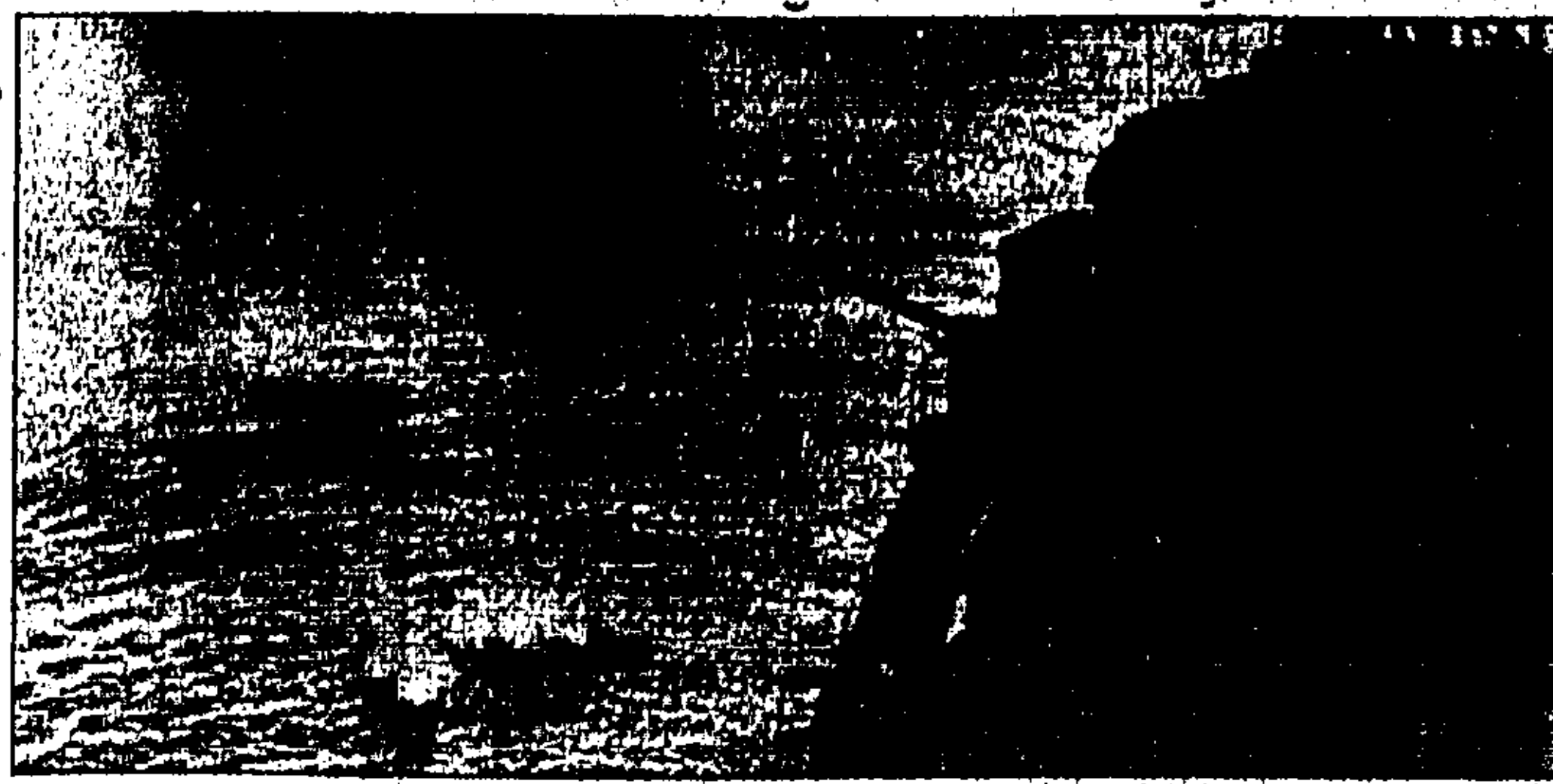
Sir Winston has now turned out over 400 paintings.

They have been done in political triumph and disaster but the exhibition contains no painting done during World War II.

"I doubt if he had time to do any during that period," said Sir Humphrey Brooke, secretary of the Royal Academy.

Painting then appears to have been abandoned for blood, tears, toll and sweat.—China Mail Special.

Navy's Latest



HMS Tiger, the Royal Navy's latest cruiser, shows off her rapid firing three-inch guns.

The guns have a rate of fire comparable to a machine gun.

The Tiger's six-inch guns have a firing rate three times faster than any previous gun of their size.

The cruiser, which was built at John Brown's Clydebank yard, will be commissioned this month.

—Central Press Photo.

"Machines Will Not Replace Man In Space"

Moscow, March 10. Soviet academician Boris Kukarkin said today that no robot or machine would ever be able to replace man in the exploration of outer space.

Australia Is For Pioneers, Says Ann

Honolulu, March 10.

Actress Ann Baxter predicted today that within the next 10 years Australia "is going to get the greatest migration of Americans in history."

The actress, who arrived from Australia yesterday en route to Hollywood, emphasised that she meant an exodus of Americans who will become permanent residents of Australia.

Miss Baxter said Australia today represents "the last great opportunity for those with pioneer spirit, and its land is just asking for people who are interested."

"And where in America," Miss Baxter asked, "can people with pioneer spirit go? Anyone with pioneer spirit in America today will only cut his throat," she said.

"The pioneer should go to Australia where there's plenty of room and plenty of challenge."

"Killed Me"

The actress spent three months in Sydney making the movie, "Summer of the Seventeenth Doll." She said the Australians "killed me with kindness."

Miss Baxter said she was so enthusiastic that the first thing she planned to do on returning to southern California is to join the Australian Trade Commission to help promote American capital investments there.

Asked if she had any immediate plans to return, Miss Baxter replied, "I certainly have—within a year if my working schedule will permit—but you can be sure I am going back." —U.P.I.

High Chair Launching

Sunderland, Eng., March 10. Miss Eugenia Chandris, daughter of a Greek shipowner, will launch a 11,000-ton ship today—from her high chair.

The two-year-old tot will press a button to send the ship named for her down the ways. —U.P.I.

He added that the problems of sending men into space would be solved during the coming years.

Kukarkin was giving a three-hour review, supported by projections and documentary films, on the Soviet programme for the conquest of space to Western diplomats and journalists in the Moscow Planetarium.

He said experiments carried out with dogs showed that space flight was not harmful. He reaffirmed, however, that no Soviet citizen would be sent into space until it was possible to guarantee his safe return to earth.

The first planet to be reached by an earthly body and by man, Kukarkin said, would be the moon, not only because it was the closest to earth, but also because its low gravity made it easier to leave for the return to earth.

Great Precision

This did not signify that flights to other planets, notably Mars and Venus, would not also be attempted, Kukarkin added.

He stressed the scientific importance of the Soviet Union's first moon rocket experiment.

He said it had required great precision to carry out this test, and added that it had provided the first opportunity of observing the moon directly, other than by its reflected light.

Kukarkin said the attempt to orbit the moon had failed because of an error of more or less 0.1 per cent. The American failure, he added, were probably due to a similar error.

The method to be employed for reaching a fixed objective in future cosmic flights, Kukarkin said, would be a guidance system operated from the earth.

Kukarkin said this system would be employed until, and possibly after, manned space flight was possible. He explained that it would considerably simplify the problems of initial direction and fuel supply. —France-Press.

Difficult

Milwaukee, Wis., March 10. Ronald Fomowski won a \$700 damage suit yesterday against Lyle Thomson whose car struck Fomowski's parked car five years ago.

Fomowski suffered a cut lip and he claimed the resulting scar made shaving difficult. He was kissing his girl good night at the time of the accident. —U.P.I.

Birth Rate Must Be Halved, Says Sir Julian

London, March 10. Sir Julian Huxley said here tonight that unless India could halve its birth rate by 1980, she would have reached the point of "economic no return."

He was giving a report at a meeting organised by the Family Planning Association on the International Conference on Population Questions at Delhi from which he and other British scientists recently returned.

Sir Julian said Mr Nehru and his government were studying the evidence in a big campaign aimed at family planning in India.

He said, however, that birth control programmes in India had not been successful.

Macmillan Accused Of Appeasement

Washington, March 10.

Senator John M. Butler charged today that the British Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, is trying to "sell" an appeasement line on Berlin and should not be the West's spokesman in negotiating with Russia.

Mr Butler told the Senate that President Eisenhower should be recognised as the "chief spokesman for the West" because "he will negotiate but he will not surrender."

The Republican said he believed Mr Macmillan is completely sincere in trying to lessen tensions on Berlin.

But he recalled that Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain made a deal with Hitler which ended in World War II.

He warned against letting history repeat itself and said: "It would appear that through fear he (Macmillan) is now preaching disengagement and flexibility in the solution of the Berlin problem."

"He is currently trying to sell this appeasement line to De Gaulle and when he comes to the United States next week it is clear that he will try to get the President of the United States to buy it," he said. —U.P.I.

13-Year Bluff

Hufley, March 10. Animal-loving Mrs Rita Barber, ordered by magistrates in 1946 to keep only two cats and a dog, bluffed her neighbours for 13 years.

For when police and an inspector of the B.S.P.C.A. went to her six-roomed house to see if she kept five dogs, two rabbits, three budgerigars and two canaries.

Neighbours had complained about the whimpering of "one or two dogs."

But the 63-year-old Mrs Barber was taken to hospital six days ago. Twenty-nine cats and one dog had to be destroyed. —China Mail Special.

Ike's Private Letters Tell Of Plans HIGHER POST FOR DULLES

New York, March 10. Private letters of President Eisenhower, published here today, reveal that he favoured creating a new, more important Cabinet position for Mr John Foster Dulles last year.

The new post would be called "The First Secretary of the Government."

The letter was one of many gathered by Life Magazine from more than 500 people on the president's "personal list."

In a letter dated January 28, 1958, Mr Eisenhower said "My ideal organisational change would be to create a post which I would call 'The First Secretary of the Government.'"

This office—who in this case would be Mr Dulles—would be responsible to the President for co-ordinating and directing the efforts of the State Department, the U.S.I.A. the I.C.A. and the

"There were many difficulties with de Gaulle during the war involving sometimes three-cornered fights between de Gaulle, Churchill and Roosevelt."

"I had myself some trouble with him, but I seem to be the one American who throughout the war always stayed on friendly terms with him, and in spite of some differences of opinion and heated exchange, always remained—and still remain—personal friends with him."

Hungary

Of the Hungarian revolt, Mr Eisenhower said on November 19, 1956:

"... I know that your whole being cries out for action on the Hungarian problem."

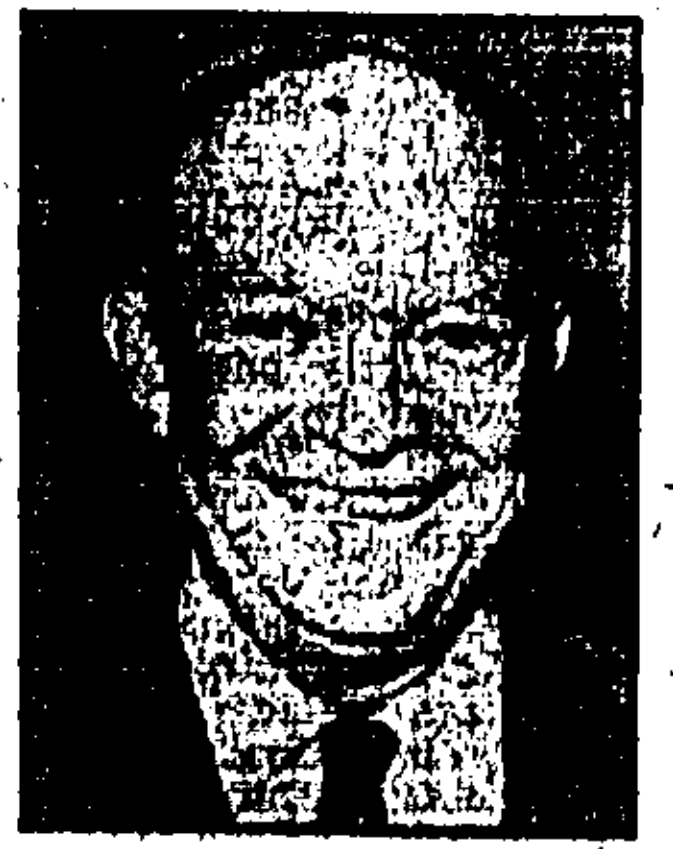
"I assure you that the measures taken there by the Soviets are just as distressing to me as they are to you. But to annihilate Hungary, should it become the scene of a bitter conflict is in no way to help her...."

China

On the question of the offshore islands on the Chinese coast, Mr Eisenhower wrote on January 24, 1955:

"... as long as actual fighting persists anywhere, there is always the danger that some hot bullet will by chance hit a powder keg."

"In the meantime, we are acting in co-operation with the Chinese Nationalists, we are not trying to dominate them, we are certainly not trying to force upon them any action of our kind that they would deem of serious damage to their political or military position." —Routledge.



Mr President
"Give him time to think"

International activities of the Departments of Commerce, Agriculture, Labour, and Treasury.

"He would be relieved of the chore of meeting with committees and long hours of detailed discussion and argument—he would be given time to think."

(The U.S.I.A. is the United States Information Agency and the I.C.A. is the International Co-operation Administration).

De Gaulle

Of France's President de Gaulle, President Eisenhower said in a letter dated December 29, 1954:

DULLES SAYS CHINA, RUSSIA WILL CLASH (But Not For Some Time)

Washington, March 10. The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, expects friction to develop between China and Russia in the long run but anticipates no break between them in the near future.

Mr Dulles' view was disclosed today when the Senate Foreign Relations Committee released testimony he gave before the group at a closed session on January 14.

Mr Dulles also said he did not think the authority of the Communist regime in China was in jeopardy "at the present time."

Mr Dulles said Soviet-Chinese friction would develop only "after you have in these two countries governments that are more national governments and less under the control of what Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev calls the International Communist Movement."

At present, Mr Dulles said, both the Peking and Moscow governments are under "communist control of the International Communist Movement and, while there may be struggles of personality between them as to which is going to play the bigger role, I do not anticipate in the

near future any break between them."

He said antagonism would grow between the two Communist powers "over the long run of several decades."

Ruthlessness

Mr Dulles' testimony was given more than two weeks before he entered hospital for a hernia operation.

Mr Dulles told the Senators that in China "there is a disaffection on the part of the army, and with the ruthlessness of the Communist leadership in being willing to shoot down people by the hundreds of thousands, I do not think that the authority of the Communist regime... at the present time is in jeopardy."

As for Berlin, Mr Dulles said at the January 14 session he doubted that it would be desirable for the Senate to pass a resolution endorsing U.S. policy in the crisis.

Three such resolutions have been introduced but the committee has taken no action on them.

"We told the Senators there are so many possibilities for negotiation that getting into details of that kind in a Senate resolution would, I think, be unwise."

In another part of his testimony, Mr Dulles said he felt that the United States was making progress against Latin American dictators.

"There has been a succession of changes which have been in the direction of greater democracy," he said. "But the progress is slow and it is not always apparent."



Queen Elizabeth Dolls Are A Hit

New York, March 10. Seven-inch Queen Elizabeth dolls are making a hit at the International Toy and Trade Fair in New York.

The dolls, made by an English firm, are especially interesting buyers from Chicago, which the Queen will visit this summer in connection with the opening of the Saint Lawrence seaway.

Other best sellers at the doll stand were replicas of the first Queen Elizabeth, Sir Winston Churchill in garb and Henry VIII.

A Fair spokesman said "A vain attempt to smear imported products as inferior or even dangerous fell not only flat but was also clearly repudiated.... This fair is a superb here to stay." —China Mail Special.

De Havilland Keys Given To Reds

Bonn, March 10. Frau Erika Schneider, a West German woman charged with espionage, said today she took several keys from the Bonn office of the De Havilland aircraft firm and passed them to the East German intelligence to be copied.

Frau Schneider, 41, is charged with obtaining secret information from the Bonn offices of the British Embassy, the De Havilland Company and the West German Defence Ministry while working as a shorthand typist.

HUSBAND CHARGED

Her husband, Herr Viktor Schneider, 44—who claims to be a former wartime agent for the German—is charged with using on the information to the East German State Security Ministry in East Berlin.

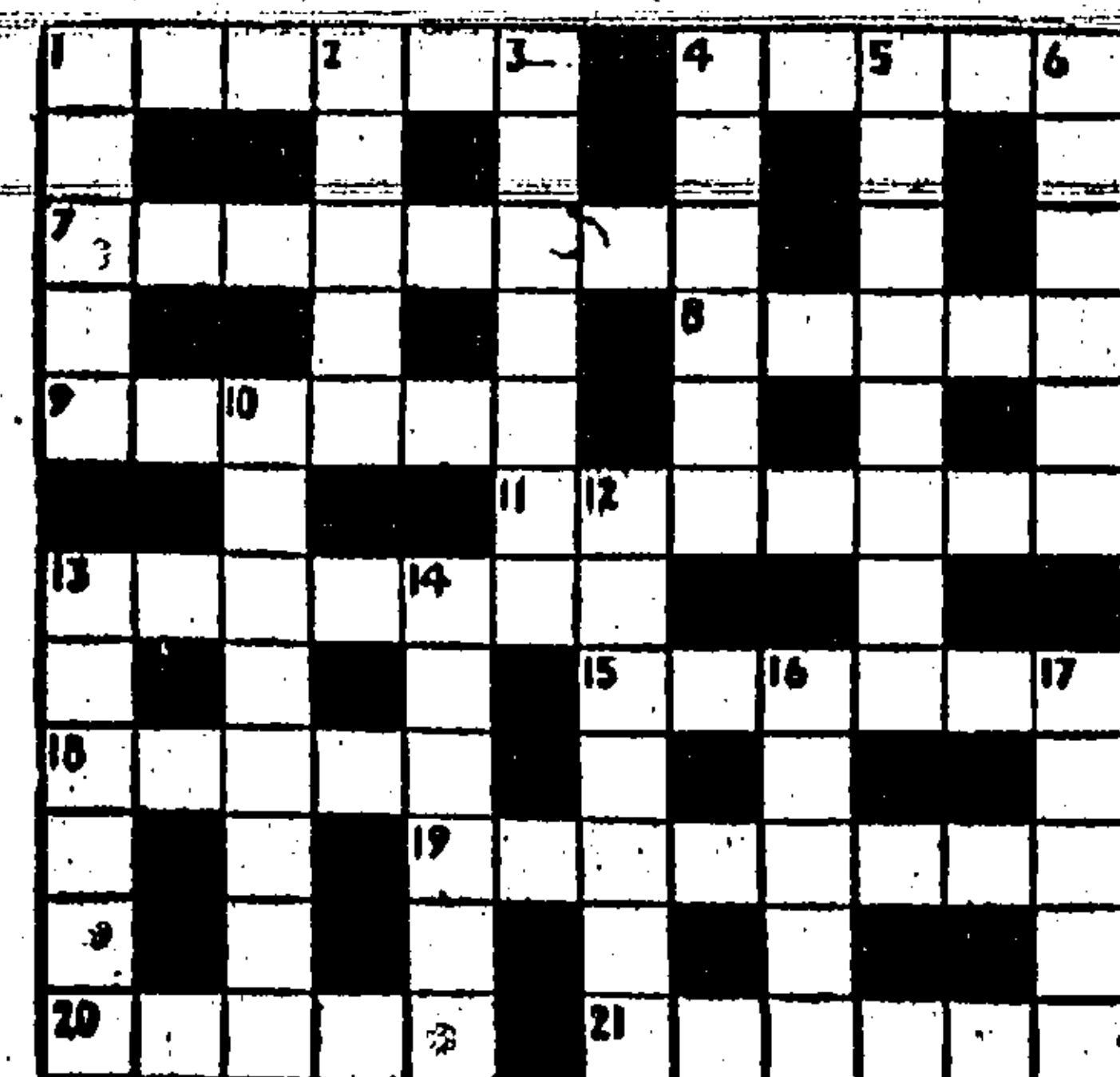
In evidence yesterday, Frau Schneider said she had wanted to give up her espionage work "But my husband's threats forced me to continue."

She said he had suddenly said he would report her to Bonn police unless she gave him more material from De Havilland's Bonn office.—China Mail Special.

Big Haul

Blo de Janeiro, March 10. The search for big game here today, national education reports, has been a success. Big game has been reported from the mountains of the state of Rio de Janeiro.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Ban.
 - 4 Imposture.
 - 7 Maritime.
 - 8 Thread.
 - 9 Show clearly.
 - 11 Exhausted.
 - 13 Rust.
 - 15 Metallic lump.
 - 16 Illumination.
 - 18 Hung around.
 - 20 Dismal.
 - 21 Number.
- DOWN
- 1 Receiver.
 - 2 Staff.
 - 3 Ordained.
 - 4 Stimulus.
 - 5 Putting out of countenance.
 - 6 Protect.
 - 10 Water.
 - 12 Remark upon.
 - 13 Gathered.
 - 14 Groom.
 - 16 Inexplicated.
 - 17 Hot drink.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Slip, 4 Stratum, 8 Rich, 9 Halo, 10 Recoups, 11 Blue, 12 Picture, 17 Elope, 18 Ledge, 22 Torment, 23 Sore, 27 Dens, 28 Minister, 29 Agree, 30 Eddy, 31 Intrude, 32 Slew, 33 Raven, 34 Laffer, 35 Probed, 36 Strap, 38 Thesis, 39 Aloft, 40 Upper, 42 Meet, 43 Tour, 45 Undo, 46 Echo, 48 Indeed, 50 Ebbings, 51 Grouse, 52 Orion, 53 Miter, 54 Torso.

THIS HONGKONG

Monument To Courage

So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?

He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee.

He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

FRIDAY afternoon, February 20, 1959, was a dreary day. The clouds were hanging low, and as we made our way to the Diocesan Girls' School the new towering blocks seemed lost in the drizzling rain clouds of the cold afternoon. The rain drove us to shelter under the arches of the new buildings, while the official party stood somewhat forlorn as the Bishop of Hongkong bade us welcome.

Then suddenly, a girls' choir burst into such a paean of joy that the very elements paused in their sultriness. A brighter sun than that hidden by the rain clouds seemed to shine. The towering new school block seemed to leap from its foundations, while the stately new hall skipped to the very high heavens.

For the words they sang were the words the Church Universal reserves for such occasions when men praise God; it was the Hymn of Thanksgiving, used by most Christians when by the glory of great events, they assemble to worship. It is old, and men generally refer to it by its ancient name, Te Deum, and the Anglican Chant to which it was sung is particularly beautiful.

There was much to thank God for. I suppose the girls thought in terms of new buildings, great modern classrooms, and up-to-date laboratories.

I suppose Mrs Nancy O'Connell and Miss Nora Edwards thought of the beautiful lofty hall where their combined historic and musical activities can resume with greater scope than that afforded hitherto.

The Hon Douglas Crozier, C.M.G. Director of Education, no doubt had in mind that yet another old school has torn down its ancient walls and extended its boundaries. And above all, Mrs Joyce Symons, sometime scholar, then teacher, and now Headmistress of the Diocesan Girls' School, who has seen this great wonder come about; surely an occasion for pride and thanksgiving.

Some words used by the Bishop of Hongkong, sent my mind exploring the past; if I can be excused a cliché, they rung a bell in my mind. He spoke of the Diocesan Girls' School, now in its centenary year, and he spoke of Miss Baxter.

Exactly a hundred years ago, in Doncaster, Yorkshire, far away in England, Susan Harriet Sophia Baxter had made a great decision. She decided to be an honorary missionary to Hongkong, with special attention to the recently

formed Female Education Society. Home influences would help Miss Baxter reach her decision, for her father, Mr Robert Baxter was typical of all that was finest, and perhaps, most indicative of the Victorian era.

The very solid worth, the creature comforts, the rigid self-inflicted discipline of the middle class Victorian home have become subjects of the super-natural historian's fondle. But the Victorian had a faith, even if they took themselves to be the selected people of God's providence.

There was an irritating air of self-satisfaction, but if they saw themselves as favoured, they recognised they had duties to fulfil, and those they performed and in performing them, saw their possessions as nought.

This, I say, was Victorianism at its best, and it was from such a home that Susan Baxter came.

It was a Godly home. The family prayers, the daily Bible reading attended by servants, the general pervading sense of all having a charge as well as a place to keep.

George Smith, Bishop of Hongkong, had visited that home. It was during the time the family gave to prayer and devotion, that he received the "call" to Hongkong, and laboured here, rather than in some comfortable parsonage in England. Bishop George Smith arrived in Hongkong during March of 1859, and consecrated the new Cathedral in September of that year. But as he was with us of true vocation, he found that his charge called him to aid those who were weary and heavy laden, rather than to speak comfortably to those who felt comforted in everything save the eternal hereditation on their selfish pursuits.

Bishop Smith, mindful of the Savior's words that He had other sheep, not of this flock, began to cast about to see what could be done.

And what could be done was as revolutionary a step could be taken. Mrs Smith, the wife of the Bishop was horrified to discover what an abject figure of Chinese society was the ordinary Chinese girl.

With a heart so great that it could encompass all China, she visited the affluent European community and enquired of their golden sovereigns. So in 1859, the world denied them.

this revolutionary institution. The Diocesan Native Female Training School, opened its doors at a house loaned by Government in Albany Terrace.

This was the first girls' school ever to come under the new "Grant-in-Aid" scheme. Miss Wilson, a schoolmistress but recently arrived from England, was placed in temporary charge.

Miss Baxter arrived in Hongkong, and immediately threw herself at the immense challenge Hongkong offered. No doubt whatever that a lady of gentle birth and independent means, Miss Baxter could have found a lofty perch in the social scale.

But she deliberately dedicated herself to the charge she had accepted. In so doing, she wrestled not only against the frustrating circumstances of old Hongkong, but she did battle with blind prejudice of racial discrimination.

We obtain tantalising glimpses at her work as she establishes a school in Mosque Terrace and Staunton Street, amalgamating her schools in a building in Bonham Road on a site later occupied by the old Diocesan Boys' School.

Neither was Miss Baxter content to leave it there. She went among the very worst she could find, among the indescribable squalor of Tsimshatsui, on the slopes of the Peak above Kennedy Town, and there established a day school.

The year is 1861, and the British have been in Hongkong twenty years. It is quite easy to see what has been happening.

The young men stationed here in the camps have found England far away. Their very status denies them the society of the more affluent merchant-men. Quite naturally they turn to the young women around them. Then arrive those children destined to be the subjects of a thousand deliberate insults, a hundred thoughtless remarks, a dozen wounding taunts. God alone knows of the wounds the snob's fangs have caused. But Miss Baxter sought these children out, and rescued them from horror and worse.

And when they were hungry, she fed them; and she bound up their wounds; and she gave to them all the love her great heart contained; the love the world denied them.

She worked terribly hard, and her schools grew daily, so that in 1862, they sent out Miss Eaton to assist her. For by this time there were four schools, three on the island, and one at Umhailin (Yaumatei).

As if to answer some of the criticisms hurled at her, Miss Baxter, although she had come out to do missionary work, opened a school for the English children of the Military. Among these Army children was Margaret Johnstone, and so inspired was this child that she returned to the Colony some years after Miss Baxter's death, to carry on with the work.

Miss Baxter was unspurring of herself. When her physical strength gave out, her great heart spurred her on.

Her staff, especially Miss Eaton and Miss Eaton had to take her severely to task, and when she would have ventured upon new grounds, they had to threaten that they would withdraw. Not that they meant this, but they could see what she herself refused to see. Her unspurring devotion to her work had undermined her health.

She was reluctantly compelled to seek aid for her school at Tsimshatsui, and got the C.M.S. to take it over.

But this belated step was of no avail. The summer of 1865, with its terrific heat and rain was too much for a body grown frail. The spirit was as strong as ever, and when the time came for her to die, she still fretted over her beloved Eurasian orphans.

But she had trained her warriors well, and when at last she laid down the sword, Miss Eaton and Miss Eaton carried on the work.

But the days of the pioneers were over. The Diocesan School must consolidate its gains. The new general must stay at home, and not venture from Bonham Road to pursue guerrilla tactics all over the island.

Then the venture suffered another setback when Miss Eaton left to marry Dr E. J. Elch, whose history of Hongkong serves everyone who

wishes to learn of the Colony's early days.

So Miss Eaton was placed in charge, but she as a schoolmistress did not relish the task after the brave days of pioneering with Miss Baxter. Her opinion was supported by the Female Education Society, but the Diocesan School had been going down so fast that Miss Eaton agreed to postpone her furlough until a new Superintendent could be found. He arrived as Bishop Alford sent out a circular to ask funds for his project. The circular, dated January 30, 1869, speaks of Eurasian children found living under every deplorable condition possible.

The rest is known, and could be better told by many in the Colony.

Following Bishop Alford's appeal, the benefits of the Diocesan School and Orphanage were extended to both sexes, opening for boys, another for girls. Mr W. M. B. Arthur, Garrison Schoolmaster, and his wife were placed in charge of 23 children. Co-education did not seem to work in those days, for in 1878, the school went back to taking girls pupils only. But when the C.M.S. started up Fairlie Girls' School in 1892, the girls left Bonham Road to the boys.

In 1899, a new Diocesan Girls' School was opened at Rose Villas, Bonham Road, by Miss Skipton and her friend, Miss Rose Hawker.

Miss Skipton was headmistress for twenty-two years, and it was during her headship that the school moved to the site it now occupies in Kowloon. This move was made in 1913.

Miss Skipton carried on until 1921 when Miss Ferguson took over. Miss Ferguson suffered ill health and her untimely death in 1925 closed a brief career.

Nevertheless, the School was fortunate during Miss Ferguson's headship, in that she introduced modern methods to the curriculum. Social activities, interesting parents in the School's activities, the stressing of the School's place in the Community.



ANNE SHARPLEY

CONSIDER what it is like to be Kay Kendall, on a bad day.

Perhaps it is that devouring but so human curiosity of other people that is hardest to bear. As though they thought they could become you by simply staring hard enough.

Four years ago you'd simply have been another

girl with a witty aura all your own, but just another of London's pretty girls.

Now, wherever you go there's that interrogatory stare as though they weren't just stripping you, but skinning you.

And the way they try to be disappointed. It's very natural I suppose. What was it that girl said audibly enough for Miss Kendall to hear: "That awful long-looking thing in glasses, it can't be Kay Kendall, silly." But she knew well enough it was.

Success vibrates in the third Mrs Harrison, tautly almost antagonistically. In some, success brings out a note of satisfaction. But for her success means encroachment. Eyes that stare and clutch. People crowding round you, or burgling you.

A mink coat becomes an embarrassment (one almost gets the feeling she was glad her furs were stolen). "After all I have been working since I was 11 and my husband has been an international star for 25 years. It's not wrong to wear a mink coat is it?"

Her eyes, so persistently and erroneously described as blue, are a nervous amber — as though sym-

bolic of her indecision between the green go-ahead to the roaring traffic of success and the red signal to stop, go away, leave her alone.

The one-time "one of the boys" Kendall, happy to have a beer in a bar and join in the complaints about how the studio were neglecting her, is a different girl since she became Mrs Rex Harrison, acquiring at the same time stardom for herself and the Lord Chancellor as brother-in-law. But only because she's got to be.

"When I go into a pub and ask for a Worthington or a Guinness they think I'm mad not to be drinking champagne."

OUR PASSION

She has developed the heads-down, horn-rimmed spectacles, averted-gaze disguise of her husband as he patiently prizes their two pug dogs off each tree in turn along their morning walk in Chelsea.

"I love riding on the top decks of buses. But they stare at you as though you were a monkey." Even Darwin would be forced to admit that this elegant bird was further than cost from the monkeys.

But that's not all. Even when pursuing her private but public media for theatre-going she is no longer secure.

"I go every night to the theatre as I have done all my life. Suddenly everyone's talking about Vivien, Betty and me as though we were up to something sinister. We all love going to the theatre. It's our passion, our homework. Rex finds it torturous not to be able to see other people acting."

So while her husband performs before yet one more dotting audience in Drury Lane his wife goes to the theatre. "Never a cinema." At 11.30 she and Mr Harrison have supper together. "Unfair to eat when he is working."

Their home is delightful, eighteenth century and in that bookish of Chelsea known as Cheyne Walk. But it is rented. "We've never had a home for three years, always rented houses. If we bought a house in London which we most probably will do next year then we will find ourselves working in New York. Everyone thinks it all so glamorous but I'm always sitting in corners sobbing and weeping because I've got to pack up again."

Suddenly one sees that she must often weep from nervousness. The same nervousness that gave her ulcers at 18 when her first film "London Town" tried to impose stardom on a girl not ready for it.

CONQUERED

The same nervousness that gives her, she believes, an intuition of what is going to happen. "If anything happens I usually know about it five hours beforehand. I feel it coming on. Probably my Irish blood." And the same nervousness that used to keep her miserably

staring at her reflection in a mirror for hours convinced she was incurably ugly. "Before I went out to a premiere I was always prostrate with misery." This, at least has been considered. When I was 11, last year I learned that to live was so important that appearance didn't matter. And I never give it a thought now."

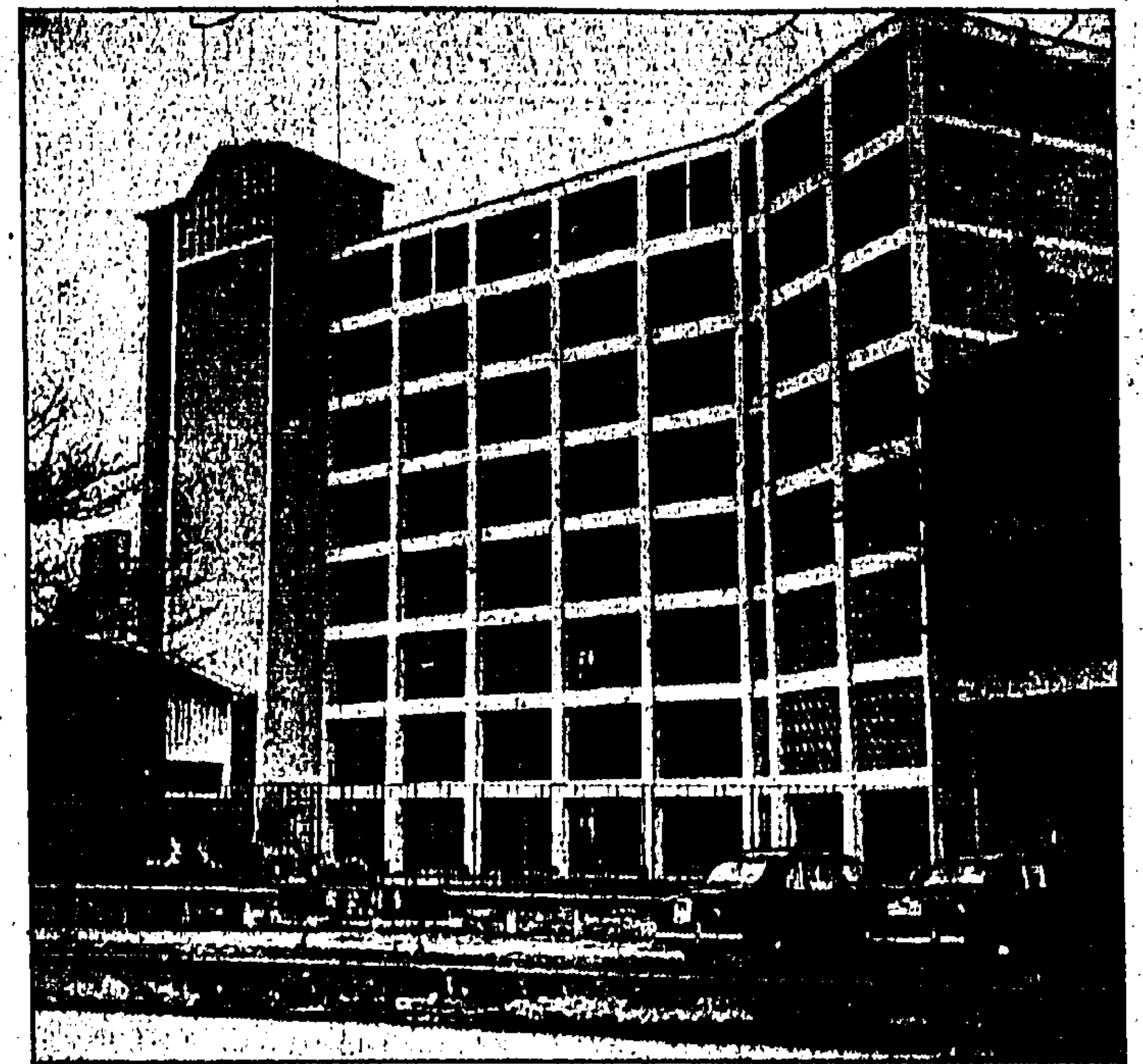
The slender legs take long strides round the room like a house-trained giraffe. The diamond-cut face gleams alternately with wit, despair, amusement and self-mockery.

SO RIGHT

Her pedigree is London. She is Gertrude Lawrence, Sylvia Ashley, Jessie Matthews. Her grandmother Marie Kendall sang just like the Ivy five thousand times in London's music-halls. And further back on unproven but not improbable ancestor was Captain Cook.

She is so wonderfully right for all this. And to welcome. But she takes her disappointments too hard perhaps — and the public's fascination in her not easily enough. And perhaps Mr Harrison lacks the approachability a star can have for his public.

A sudden upper outside takes Mrs Harrison rapidly to the window and just as swiftly downstairs. Her Chinese pug, Higgins, is attacking a salesman in a department store of way. "It's all right. He's got no teeth," she shrieks reassuringly. Then in her own beautiful illogical way she realises how humiliating to Higgins' amour propre her words have been. "Terribly sorry Higgins," she says. (London Express Staff)



THE Diocesan Girls' School — today. A far cry from the humble beginning in Bonham Road.

Miss Sawyer took over in 1925, and it was during her headship that the School established its fine reputation in English studies.

We come now to times remembered by all but the youth of the Colony. Miss Gibbins became Headmistress in 1939. In spite of ominous distant thunders of war, Miss Gibbins tackled her task with the optimism which characterises the Colony.

She modernised the School, and early in 1941, a fine new wing of eight classrooms and a laboratory was added.

The end of the year saw the Colony defeated, and occupied by the Japanese. The building was looted. Later it was taken over by the Japanese Gendarmes.

Miss Gibbins will be remembered by many who were in Stanley Camp as the Headmistress of the School the internecine ran there. Also let it be known that Miss Gibbins broke out of Camp two days early, and saved the D.G.S. uniforms.

The Diocesan Girls' School has come a long way from days in Bonham Road where Miss Baxter sought to instruct her faith.

M.V. KUNGSHOLM PASSENGERS:

HONGKONG

IMPERATIVE YOU SEE DYNASTY READY-TO-WEAR

FASHIONS PENINSULA HOTEL ROOM 104 STOP

GLAMOROUS PURE SILK LOUNGING WEAR, DRESSES,

HOSTESS PYJAMAS, ROBES ALSO MEN'S

SILK ROBES, PYJAMAS, SHIRTS, ALL STYLED AND

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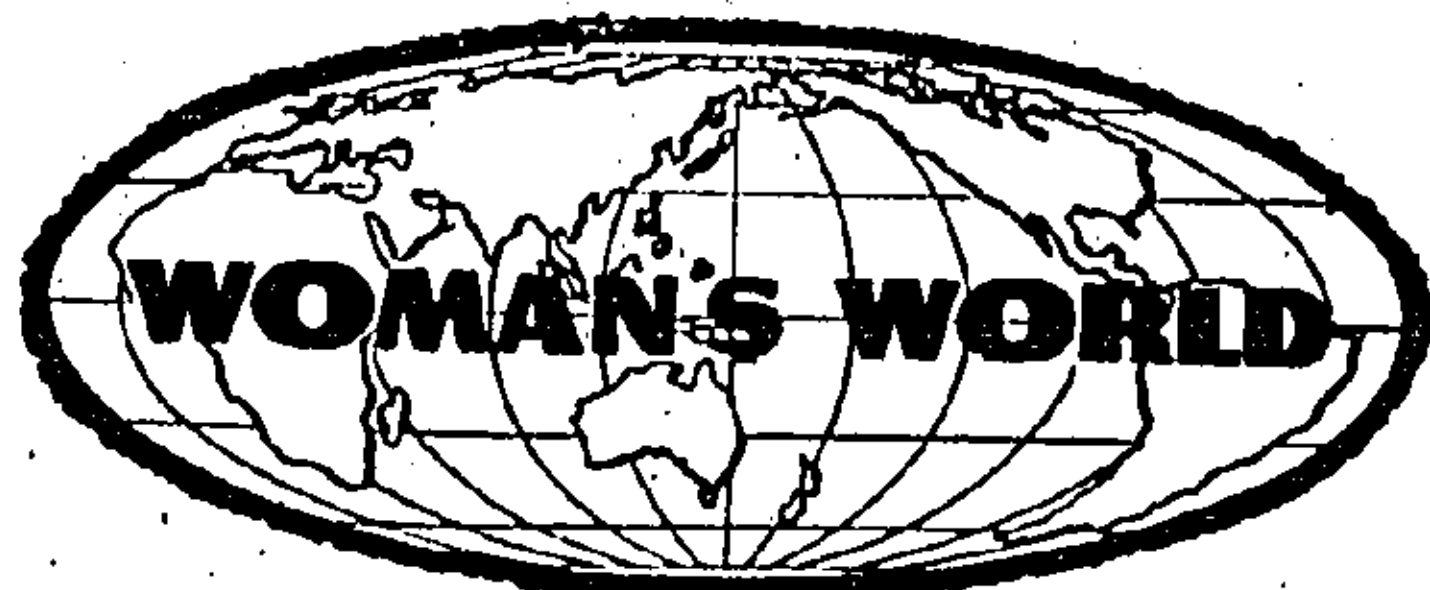
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WOMANSENSE

Nellie Opens Oysters

by Anne Sharpley



School For Sale

Sydney. The school closed last August, after 35 years, on the death of the owner and principal, Miss Violet Gibbins.

Everything about the school smacked of naval discipline. All 50 students—aged between seven and sixteen—wore navy blue uniforms with gold-plated buttons and velvet hats. Senior girls had commissioned ranks and new girls were "Middies."

Each section of the three-storey mansion was named after a warship.—Reuter.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

BORN today, you are one of those who agree with the adage: If at first you don't succeed, try, try again. You are industrious and will work hard to reach your objective. You never become discouraged at minor failures, but accept them as challenges in work and life. The harder you try, the more you achieve. Since you have an original point of view, you may find that your ideas are not always accepted immediately. But if you persist, you will find that eventually your faith in your own ideas is fully justified. You have a fine sense of humor and this helps you along in life.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

In order to get full value out of your high cards, you must play them at the right time. East's queen of spades was his highest card but he used it to his opponents' advantage not his own.

South's three no-trump contract was based on a minimum 13-point no-trump response and a minimum of sub minimum 12-point opening bid by North.

West opened the jack of spades and South saw that his contract was practically hopeless. Also, there was nothing much he could do to make it, but East and West got together to make it for him.

East played the seven of spades. He was not going to waste his queen on his partner's jack.

NORTH (D) 30	
♠ 8 5 4	
♥ 10 8 0 2	
♦ K Q 6	
♣ K 4	
WEST EAST	
♠ K J 10 0 3	♠ Q 7
♥ Q 7 5	♥ J 4
♦ 0 3	♦ J 10 0 2 4
♣ A 5 3	♣ J 10 7 6
SOUTH	
♠ A 0 2	
♥ K 0 3	
♦ A 0 2	
♣ Q 0 8 2	
No one vulnerable	
North East South West	
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass	
2 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass	
Opening lead—♠ J	

South ducked, letting the jack hold. West continued with the ten and this time East had to play his queen. South also allowed this to hold and East found that he was in the lead with no spades left in his hand.

He led the jack of diamonds. South won with the ace, led a low heart and played the eight from dummy. East was in with the jack and still had no spade to lead. This gave South time to knock out the ace of clubs also and make his contract.

How did West help declarer? He could have led his king of spades at trick two. This would have kept him in the lead and allowed him to clear the spade suit by himself while he still held the ace of clubs.

CARD SERVICE

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass. You, South, hold: ♠ 7 ♥ K 0 3 ♦ K 8 4 ♣ A 3 2. What do you do?

A—Bid two no-trump. A two-diamond bid would be inadequate and a three-diamond bid too much.

TODAY'S QUESTION

You hold the same hand and your partner replies to two diamonds after your one-heart response. What do you do in this case?

Answer Tomorrow

HAVE you ever thought that even if someone did give you a barrel of oysters you wouldn't be able to open the perishing things?

There you'd be with a rapidly deteriorating luxury in your possession and all the resources of strength and modern science wouldn't be able to help you.

This frustrating contingency, once seen clearly, seems worth guarding against.

Oysters, being quiet, old-fashioned things, need a quiet, old-fashioned hand to open them (native oysters are naturally more insular than the yielding foreign sort) and there isn't a hand in the world that has tamed more tough Wallabie oysters than that of Nellie Gilles. Nellie's total is something over five and a half million in 40 years.

Don't be nervous

What makes Nellie fascinating as well as unique is that she has never tasted an oyster. Nellie was clearly the person not only to teach me how to open an oyster—but a whole new philosophy of restraint, as well. For while everyone else is busy trying to make the world their oyster, Nellie has been making the oyster her world.

She works in Shellkeys—one of those look-back-in-nostalgia restaurants with a marble counter, lots of ferns (persistently mistletoe for aspidochelons), large mirrors that steam up enthusiastically with the lovely vapours of lobster, salmon and eel—and that plethora of white linen that makes middle-aged nursery daisies think of nursery daisies again.

Nellie and I, wrapped in white overalls, got in a lesson before midday when the lunch starts.

"It took me a week to open my first oyster," I cried nearly every night for seven days and then suddenly it came to me. Other people it's taken a fortnight. But that's only when they're nervous. If you're nervous you can't open oysters."

Well, I wasn't nervous, I had worked it out that the oyster looked more to lose than me and it couldn't be worse than some of the people I've had to interview.

Nellie lent me her lucky knife, the one that she's used for 40 years.

There was a sandpapered and sharpened ready for the day's battle. "Are they alive?" I asked, gazing down at the enemy who were obviously clenching their teeth hard at the sight of me.

"Oh, yes. But they die when you cut the muscle that fastens them to their shell," said Nellie, confident of victory.

She picked one out, slapped it firmly down on the counter and in a flash there was the shell opened and an oyster blinking up at us with that look you see in the eyes of short-sighted people when they take their glasses off.

"She showed me where oysters are at their weakest—opposite the hinge. 'Now dig your knife in there.' I found myself, after a few minutes, not digging but mutilating it.

Success

At last I made a tiny breach and without actually getting down on the floor with it, managed to get the knife in.

"Cut the muscle, cut the muscle," urged Nellie, while the battle raged on. As I had no means of knowing where the muscle was, I tried imagining where it was and that seemed to do just as well. For suddenly I saw an ever-widening gap round the rim of the enemy appearing.

"Twist the blade of the knife," cried Nellie, ruthlessly. "This lever it was never wider and the enemy, pale—and was it my imagination but was it winning?"

You then show no mercy, but cut it free of its other mooring and turn it over. This is because

one side of the oyster is tidier-looking than the other.

Customers were starting to queue in and demand whole platefuls of oysters and I was put on to the job of handling the oysters to Nellie from the barrel. As it was, just doing that, I could hardly keep up with her. Her strong pink hands devastated all before her.

Sore?

"Don't your hands get sore?" I asked (mine were already).

"Never. And I don't use any of those hand-creams either." Somebody asked for aliced cucumber and without so much as locking down once she whirled out a paper-thin pile on to a plate, talking and greeting customers even more animatedly to stay emphatic her virtuosity.

"Don't you get tired?" I asked.

"Never get tired opening oysters. They say here that they can always tell when oysters aren't in season because I look so miserable."

"I'll pick you out six easy ones," said Nellie, so soothingly that I began to suspect her of psychological methods.

After terrible struggles I managed to produce a rather squallid plateful of shattered shell and squashed oyster. She served herself and short slip on one while she's not looking. I heard her whisper to Mr. Fielding, the manager. Oh, humiliation. Not only was I a miserable failure as an oyster-opener, but I couldn't count up to six correctly!

As I obediently chewed that magnificent day-at-the-seaside-in-one-moment flavour of my six oysters I had one more question for Nellie.

"Why have you never had one?" I asked.

"Well, look at this way, dear," said Nellie, "supposing I didn't like them..."

Good Grooming Counts For Success In Business

EXECUTIVE secretaries reach success via a combination of efficiency and good grooming. Both are as important to business success as a pleasant personality, an easy-on-the-eye telephone manner, a nice speaking voice and excellent technical skills.

We discussed the matter with an executive secretary whose boss is chairman of the board of a world-famous company. She agreed that efficiency and skill alone weren't enough.

MUST BE ATTRACTIVE

"They—the bosses," she said, "expect you to look attractive all day long."

With a hundred details to handle—reports, plane reservations, flowers for a sick associate, a phone call to tell his family of an extra dinner guest, dictation, typing—that well-groomed look can be shattered, especially if a girl's easily rattled. An executive secretary can't be. False helps her keep well-groomed, no matter how many emergencies shoot the day's schedule into shreds.

It begins with proper preparation, our informant says. "My daily routine starts with a scented bath," she said, adding that she gets up half an hour earlier to allow time for the job.

"I follow up by giving myself an all-over splash with eau de cologne. Later, I apply matching perfume. Fragrance aids don't make you look well-groomed, but they make you feel that way—it's half of the battle won."

FRAGRANCE PLEASES

During the day she takes two beauty breaks to freshen her appearance—one mid-morning one after lunch. Both provide a chance to wash off smudges, slick hair into line, powder a shiny nose and refresh perfume. Do business associates and top



PERFUME HAS a place in the office, says a top secretary, who uses a cologne stick twice daily to freshen fragrance.

bosses think perfume's appropriate during office hours? "Yes," says this successful secretary. "I'm sure they do. I know it gives them as much pleasure as it gives me, because I'm often asked, 'What is that scent you're wearing?'"

We agree with this, and so do

By JEANNE D'ARCY

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

To remove peach, pear, cherry or plum stains, sponge the stain with cool water, then work in glycerine or a soapless shampoo. Let stand several hours, then apply a few drops of vinegar for a minute or so, and rinse thoroughly in water.

For greater nutritive value, add powdered milk to cream sauces, gravies, scrambled eggs, and cream soups.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Magic Grocers

—Mr. Merlin Makes Even Bravado Fun—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the Shadows with the Turned About Names, had just started walking down the street, when they met their friend Mr. Merlin, the Magificent Magician. It was a lovely day of sunshine. Mr. Merlin was wearing a bright blue suit with yellow spots on it. The yellow spots glittered like sunbeams.

"Ah, good morning, Hanid! Good morning, Knarf!" said Mr. Merlin. "I see you're going to the grocers'."

Lucky Guess

"How did you know that?" asked Knarf, surprised that Mr. Merlin should have guessed. "Hanid is carrying a shopping bag," said Mr. Merlin. "You're carrying a list of things on a slip of paper, Knarf. And neither of you look happy. So I'm quite sure you're going to the grocery store."

Knarf and Hanid told Mr. Merlin that he was right.

Around The Corner

"We have to buy salt and pepper and mustard and vinegar," said Hanid.

"There's a salt store right around the corner," said Mr. Merlin. "And right next to the salt store, there's a pepper store. And right next to the pepper store, there's a mustard store. And right next to the mustard store, is the vinegar store."

In a surprised voice, Hanid said she had never heard of any of those stores.

"And besides," said Knarf to Mr. Merlin, "there's just a big empty lot around the corner. There aren't any stores at all!"

"I don't know anything about an empty lot," said Mr. Merlin. "All I know is that there's a salt store, a pepper store, a mustard store, and a vinegar store. And if you want to buy salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar, there are the places to buy them! So you'd better just come along with me."

Saying this, Mr. Merlin linked his arms with theirs. Around the corner they all went.

Knarf Was Wrong

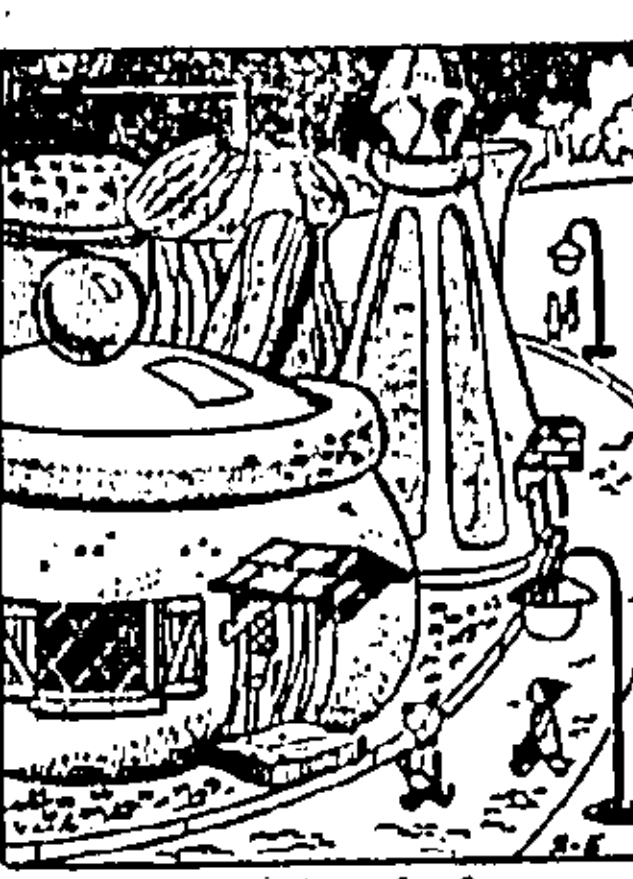
"But there's nothing but a big empty lot around the corner," Knarf kept saying.

But Knarf was wrong! (Or perhaps Mr. Merlin, the Magificent Magician, had just worked a magical trick). For there, around the corner, on the very spot where the empty lot had been, now stood four stores. The Salt Store looked like an enormous salt shaker. The Pepper Store looked like a giant pepper mill. There was no mistaking the Mustard Store. It looked like a mustard pot with a wooden mustard spoon instead of a chimney!

Knarf and Hanid thanked Mr. Merlin for showing them the wonderful Salt and Pepper and Mustard and Vinegar Stores. "We're going to shop there all the time from now on!" said Hanid.

But when Knarf and Hanid went around the corner a few days later to have another look at the four wonderful stores, all they could find was a big empty lot.

"Oh dear!" said Hanid. "Mr. Merlin just played a joke on us! You can only find the Salt and Pepper and Mustard and Vinegar Stores if you're with a Magificent Magician like him!"



The Mustard Store had a spoon instead of a chimney.

The Vinegar Store was made of glass. It looked exactly like a vinegar bottle.

In the Salt Store, a man in a white apron sold Hanid a can of salt.

In the Pepper Store, a lady in a black and white apron sold Hanid a box of pepper.

In the Mustard Store, an old man with a brown beard sold Hanid a pot of mustard.

Tall, Thin Lady

And in the Vinegar Store, a tall thin lady with her lips all puckered up as though she was trying to whistle, sold Knarf a big bottle of soury vinegar.

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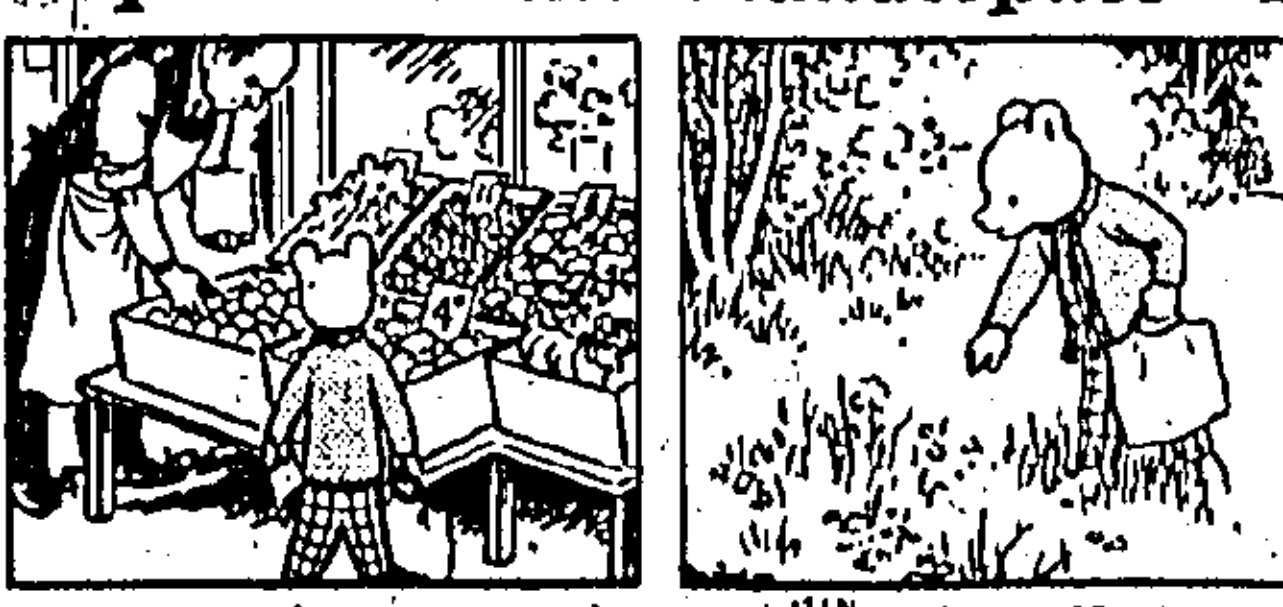
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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"The car you're turning in will take care of the federal, state and city taxes—the price of the new car is in addition to that!"

Rupert and the Blunderpuss—4



Rupert continues to wonder about the strange appearance of the beta but his errand for his mummy is so important that he has to go. He is in a hurry to buy what she wants. There are plenty of flowers here," he thinks, "though I mustn't let those. Mummy was careful to ask for wild irises." On his way back he looks around as he hurries along. "There isn't a wild iris in sight," he murmurs. "They must be all over. Anyway, there are other yellow flowers. I'll pick a bunch. They'll be nice."

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BLARNEY STONE RUGBY STARTS TODAY

Eight First Round Matches Scheduled At Club Ground

By PAK LO

The Blarney Stone seven-a-side tournament begins this evening on the Club ground with a programme of eight first round matches. The remainder of the first round matches will be played tomorrow evening.

The second round is arranged for Friday night and the remaining rounds, will all be held on Saturday with the Final scheduled for 9 p.m.

The Blarney Stone Shield was first presented to the HKFC before the last war by Messrs Carter, Shaw, Robinson, and Carver but was lost during the occupation, and never found.

Vienna Making Strong Bid For 1964 Games Site

Vienna, March 10. (The Mayor of Vienna, Herr Franz Janesch, has accepted an invitation to present personally Vienna's application for the 1964 Olympic Games at the next meeting of the International Olympic Committee, it was announced here today.

Herr Janesch, informing the Municipal Council of this official invitation, said he would be at the meeting, which is to take place in Munich from May 23 to 26.

The Mayor also told the Council that as there would be no world exhibition in Europe in 1964, according to official information received from Mr. M. Barely, president of the International Exhibition Bureau, there was nothing which could hinder Vienna's application for the 1964 Olympics.

The Chairman of the International Olympic Committee had been informed of Mr. Barely's statement, the Mayor added.—Reuter.

Low Hoad Beats Gonzales To Lead In Series

Boston, March 10. Former Wimbledon Champion Low Hoad of Australia defeated defending professional tennis champion Pancho Gonzales 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, here tonight.

It was the second win in as many nights for Hoad, who took a 5-4 lead in his series against Gonzales in professional tennis match play.

A Gonzales double fault in the first game of the final set helped Hoad break the champion's service. The Australian converted the game advantage into a 6-4 final set to win the match.

The all-Australian doubles team of Low Hoad and Ashley Cooper defeated the United States pairing of Gonzales and Jack Kramer 8-4, in the night-tennis consolation tennis stars, all in for the alling Mat Anderson.—U.P.I.

S. AFRICA'S GOLF FINALISTS

Johannesburg, March 10. Arthur Walker, South African winner of the English amateur title in 1957, will meet Derek Muller, a 21-year-old student, in the 36 holes final of the South African amateur golf championship here tomorrow.

Walker today beat Denis Hutchinson at the 21st to qualify for his third final in four years. He was runner-up in 1956 and 1958.—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Trial Match at Boundary Street, 4.30 p.m.
Annual meeting of HK Amateur Swimming Association, Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m.
Blarney Stone Shield: Club Ground, 5.45 p.m.
TOMORROW
Blarney Stone competition at Club Ground, 5.45 p.m.
Colonial Junior Championships at CCC, 7.30 p.m.
Tennis
Colonial Grand Court Tennis Championships at HKCC, 5.30 p.m.
Chess
Colonial Chess Championships, first round, at Peninsula Hotel.

Federation's Expenses Rule May Kill Amateur Tennis, Says Nielsen

London, March 10. Kurt Nielsen, the Danish number one lawn tennis player and twice Wimbledon runner-up, thinks that the International Federation's rule which limits expenses overseas may kill the amateur game.

Nielsen, who won his opening match in the British covered courts championships at Queen's Club here today — by beating Martin Kitzlik (London) 7-5, 6-3, 9-7, said that he would decide within the next few days whether he would play a full season of top tennis this year.

"I would love to continue but now I don't know whether I shall be able to afford it. If that is the case, I will play only in a few tournaments and championships", he said.

Two-Hour Match

Nielsen, suffering from a touch of tonsillitis which put him below his best, took nearly two hours to defeat Kitzlik.

UK Soccer Results

London, March 10. Results of tonight's football matches were:
ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division III
Bradford City 1, Bury 0.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE
Division I
Celtic 1, Airdrieonians 2.—Reuter.

Other Results.

Other main results today are:
MEN'S SINGLES
R. Becker (Britain) beat J. Tattersall (Britain) 6-3, 6-0, 6-3.
A. Uday Kumar (India) beat M. Gibb (Britain) 6-0, 3-6, 7-9, 6-2, 6-1.
MEN'S DOUBLES
J. Barrett (Britain) and K. Nielsen (Denmark) beat S. C. 6-4, 12-10, 6-4.
C. Sorychala (Stateless) and Kumar (India) beat W. Anderson and E. Donald (Britain) 6-1, 6-4, 6-7, 6-2.—France-Press.

Czechs Take World Ice-Hockey Lead

Prague, March 10. Czechoslovakia today took the lead in the world ice-hockey championships when she drubbed Finland by eight goals to two in the final pool game, and emerged as the top rival of Canada, the holders, in the home stretch of the race for the title.

Canada was standing second, the Soviet Union third and the United States, which trounced Sweden 7-1 in the other final pool match today, was fourth. Sweden was fifth and Finland sixth.

East Germany, which beat Switzerland 6-2 in the

consolation game at Kolin today, was seventh, and West Germany, which beat Poland at Mlada by 5-3 was eighth. Norway, which whipped Italy 4-3 at Kladno, was ninth. Rumania, meantime won its right to compete in next year's world championships when it beat Hungary 7-2 in the European "Criterion" for weaker teams at Plzen in West Bohemia. Hungary was second and Austria third.

Standings after today's games were:
1. Czechoslovakia, 4 points, 12 goals to 3.
2. Canada, 3 points, 6 goals to 0.

3. USSR, 2 points, 5 goals to 1.
4. United States, 2 points, 8 goals to 6.
5. Sweden, 0 point, 2 goals to 11.
6. Finland, 0 point, 2 goals to 14.
7. East Germany, 4 points, 11 goals to 3.
8. West Germany, 3 points, 7 goals to 5.
9. Norway, 3 points, 8 goals to 7.
10. Italy, 1 point, 5 goals to 6.
11. Switzerland, 1 point, 6 goals to 10.
12. Poland, 0 point, 4 goals to 10.—France-Press.

World Title Fight Venue And Date

New York, March 10. The world heavyweight title fight between Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson will be held in New York as a result of a \$600,000 guarantee, the biggest in ring history.

The fight will be staged at Yankee Stadium on June 23.—U.P.I.

Asian Shuttle Aces To Play In Canada

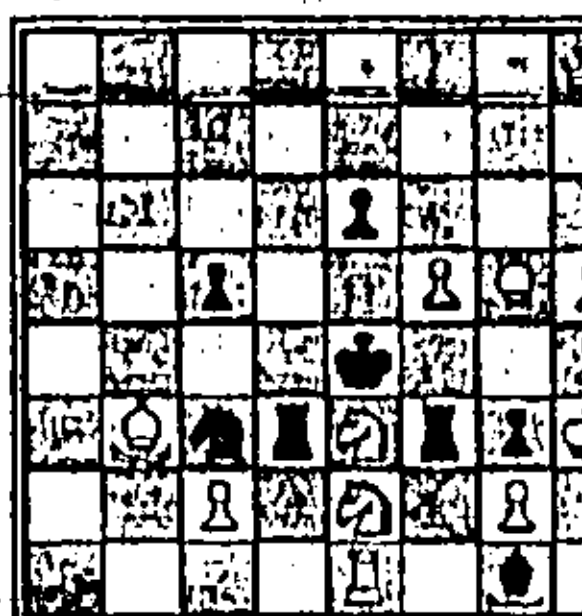
Quebec, March 10. Players from Malaya, Thailand and Indonesia will make a bold bid for titles in the Canadian badminton championships in the Quebec Winter Club from March 25 to 28.

Tan Kew-een and Lim Say-hui, of Malaya, Pan Joe-hok, Indonesia and C. Wattanasin and T. Khiradphai, Thailand, will compete in the Canadian event after taking part in the all-England championships in London. From here they will travel to the United States for the American open championships, and then, on the invitation of the Canadian Badminton Association, they will tour Canada playing exhibition matches.

About 80 Canadian players will compete in the championships here, and a heavy entry is also expected from the United States, headed by Jim Poole of Los Angeles, one of the world's top singles players.—Reuter.

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem by O. Groenewald (Schach - Echo, 1958). White to play and mate in two moves.
Solution No. 5577: 1. BxR (but not 1. Q-K4, R-KK13, and Black's queen is protected). 2. Q-K4, R-KK13; 3. R-K5 ch, Resigns.
London Express Service.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY PREVIEW

Welsh Forwards Face Their Sternest Test Against Ireland On March 14

By JOHN COTTRELL

Curiouser and curiouser. Only five tries have been scored in the six International Championship matches played so far this season, compared with 13 in the corresponding matches of last year.

Yet this is the first season in which internationals are being played under the new laws designed to speed up play, and facilitate scoring.

Does this mean the legislators have failed? I think not. On the contrary, I believe that most of the new rules have greatly benefited the game. It's the players who are at fault.

Selectors have done reasonably well in finding fast, mobile forwards, and they, in turn, have adapted themselves well to the sad lack of ideas behind the scrum.

Deplorable Death
Above all, there is a deplorable death of first-class attacking centres. Rarely have I seen so many openings created by forwards and so many scoring opportunities missed by three-quarters.

The Wales-Ireland clash brings together two countries whose forwards have performed brilliantly and whose centres have sadly disappointed. Each has had one victory and one defeat.

Wales have much the more serious problem, behind the scrum. No strong centres have emerged this season and the selectors, understandably in a quandary, delayed making their choice.

On the other hand, the Irish selectors seem to have solved their problems here, having now realised their blunder in placing the great Tony O'Reilly at centre against England.

But for this error of judgement I believe Ireland would now be the one country capable of winning the Triple Crown. They had numerous scoring chances against England and they lost 3-0 only because their backs were incapable of turning forward superiority into points.

Ingenuousness
Against Scotland, O'Reilly was switched to his proper place on the wing and 10-year-old David Hewitt was brought back into the centre. The result: a great win for the Irish. Hewitt has not yet fulfilled the great promise of last season, but he is potentially a classic runner and he combines well with newcomer John Dooley, a centre whose strong point is ingenuousness rather than speed. As an attacking force, the

Irish backs should be superior to the Welsh. But it is the forward battle that will decide the Cardiff contest.

Here, much will depend on the ground conditions. With a firm surface, Ireland must be favourites, for only the French forwards have displayed such fire, speed and handling ability in the loose this season.

They can hold the heavier Welshmen in the tight, and they have the outstanding hooker of the home countries in skipper Ronnie Dawson. Second row forwards, Gerry Culliton and Billy Mulcahy have been jumping and catching brilliantly in the line-out. Ronnie Kavanagh and Noel Murphy can look like extra three-quarters in the open.

The Welsh pack smothered England in the Cardiff mud, but on the firm turf of Murrayfield their sad lack of mobility was exposed. Some of the Welsh forwards just could not stand the pace.

Master Tactician

The Welsh pack, spurred on by master tactician Clem Thomas, can be relied upon to produce greater fire at Cardiff Arms Park. But only if the going is heavy do I envisage them outplaying the Irish.

Wales and Ireland have each lost a great fly-half in the past year—Cliff Morgan and Jackie Kyle, respectively. Each has found competent successors in Cliff Ashton and Mike English. But Ashton and Lloyd Williams not made as satisfactory a combination as Ireland's English and Andy Mulligan.

Full-back is the one position where Wales are clearly superior. Terry Davies is repeating his great form of last season, while Ireland rely on veteran Noel Henderson, who will be playing in his 39th international and only his fourth at full-back.

But Henderson should not be underestimated. He is too experienced to be caught out of position and he is a sure, if not strong, kicker.

This season's form is no guide to the result. Wales have been beaten England and England have beaten Ireland. But Ireland have beaten Scotland and Scotland have beaten Wales.

Ireland have not won at Cardiff since 1932, and were extremely unlucky in this match

Boos And Scuffle At Wembley

DAVE CHARNLEY LOSES DISPUTED DECISION TO GUY GRACIA

London, March 10. An astounding decision gave Guy Gracia of France a points victory over British lightweight champion Dave Charnley in a 10-round contest at Wembley here tonight.

Charnley had boxed very well to take the majority of the rounds, but at the end of the fight the referee walked to Gracia's corner to raise his arm in victory.

There was a tremendous outburst of booing. Charnley, obviously greatly surprised, leaned over the ropes disconsolately. Police in attendance had to be brought in to quieten a scuffle in the hall.

Much Mauling

Dick Richardson, of Wales, the only one of Britain's top four heavyweights not included in the world rankings, repelled another American "invader" when he outpointed Bert Whitehurst, a New York medical student, over 10 disappointing rounds.

But Richardson's victory did little to enhance his once rosy

prospects. Both men were booed out of the ring after a bit-and-munch affair in which there was much mauling and wrestling. Richardson won most of the rounds with his left hook to the head and sold rights to the body, but he could make little impression on the durable Negro, who once went ten rounds with hard-hitting Archie Moore.

Comeback Campaign

Ror Barton, the former British light-heavyweight champion, won the second bout of his comeback campaign when he outpointed Neville Rowe, a hard-punching Australian, over eight rounds.

Barton showed little of his old form, but he stayed out of serious trouble and did enough with his left hand and occasional right crosses to earn the verdict.—Reuter.

Apartheid Conditions For W's Tour Of S. Africa

Capetown, March 10. The South African Government has laid down apartheid conditions for the visit of the country. Interior Minister Tom Naude said in the House of Assembly today.

Naude was answering a question by the native representative, Walter Stanford. Naude said permission for the tour was given to local sponsors of the tour, namely the South African Cricket Union. The tour would be held from November 10, 1959, to January 4, 1960.

He said the conditions were: Members of the team may only play against non-whites. Adequate arrangements for transport, recreation and accommodation of the team are to be made by the sponsors. Separate seating and other facilities must be provided for white and non-white spectators.—France-Press.

WATER BABIES

By DEREK JOHN

No girl should be picked to swim for her country before she is 16 years old. The burden can be too great for swimmers younger than that and it can do more harm than good.

This is the surprising opinion of Margaret Edwards, second best back-stroke swimmer in the world over 100 metres. She speaks with the authority of a "veteran" of 19 who has been chasing titles since 1933.

Mrs Edwards' anti-infant attitude is important because lately it has become accepted that the swim success formula is: "the younger the better."

Margaret points out that there have been cases of girls being rushed into the top flight, falling and suffering so badly from disappointment that they have taken a long time to recover.

HIGH-PRESSURE CASES

The high-pressure cases of marvel Miss Dianna Wilkinson and Pat Baines could be mentioned as examples of ladies who were too early for their appointments with fame. Margaret insists: "Child wonders can give everything and then fade away. But if they are encouraged to reach

their peak around 18 or 19 they can hold that world-class form far longer."

"I think I am at my best now and I hope to swim on for as long as it stays fun—and that could be for ten years."

ACTION LOUDER

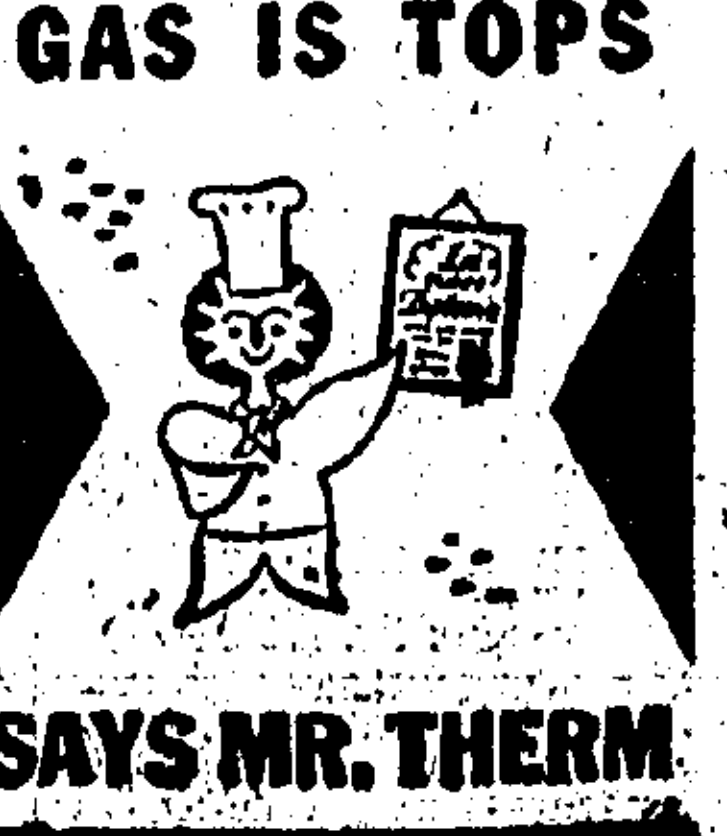
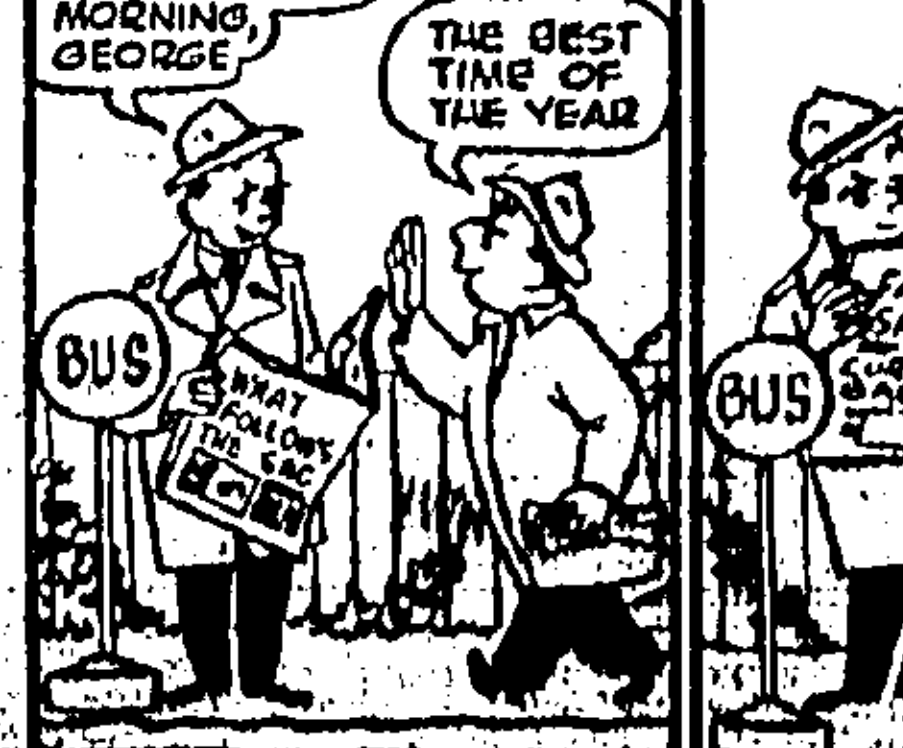
For five years Margaret Edwards has swum in the wake of Judy Grinham, who snatched the top Olympic Empire and European honours. If Judy now votes to go into films instead of the water, Margaret will almost certainly be Britain's best bet for swimming success.

Margaret can prove to the world that swimmers are not too old at 16. But she has little hope of proving that swimmers are too young at under-16.

Action speaks louder than words and last week the best argument for water-babies was provided by the 14-year-old Australian, 15 Konrad. She slushed two world records beyond recognition.

THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



SPORTS PICTORIAL

A memorable event in the history of local sports in general and of local football in particular was the presence of H.R.H. Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh at the special match between the Combined Chinese and the non-Chinese Civilians at South China Stadium last Saturday.

Photo on right shows H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh taking a keen interest in the progress of the game. On his left are Mr W. S. T. Louey (President of HKFA) and Mrs Louey and on his right H. E. the Governor, Sir Robert Black and Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues (Vice-President of HKFA).

Below, H.R.H. Prince Philip is seen being introduced to the non-Chinese team by the captain Howard Moss while Mr W. S. T. Louey looks on.—China Mail Photos.

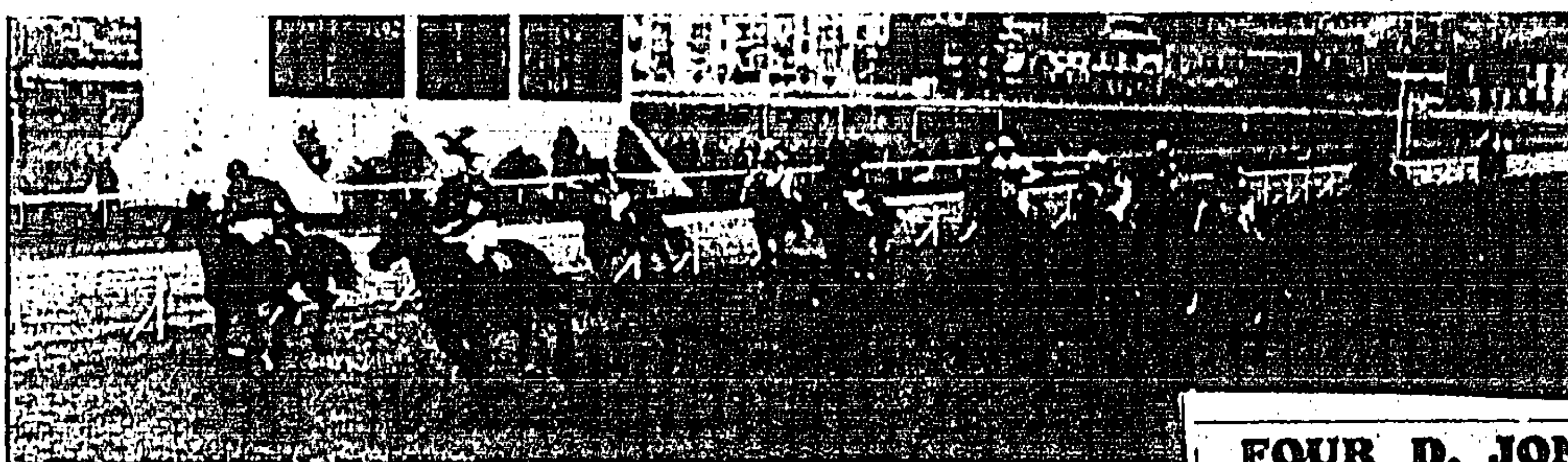


One of the two main events of the second day's programme of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley last Wednesday was the Ladies' Purse.

This was won by Mr Y. W. Tam's Cover Girl ridden by H. K. Hung.

Above is a group photo taken after the presentation of the Ladies' Purse by Miss Patricia Lee. They are from left to right: Dr the Hon. S. N. Chau, Mr D. Black, the Hon. H. D. M. Barton, Miss Patricia Lee, Mr A. H. Penn, Jockey H. K. Hung, Mr D. Benson and Mr W. T. Stanton.

Left photo shows L'Arc Triomphe (No. 10), ridden by A. Ostroumoff fighting out the finish of the 10th race with Five Gold (No. 7). L'Arc Triomphe won by half a length to pay \$31.40.—China Mail Photos.



ABOVE: An exciting goalmouth melee during the Inter-school senior grade soccer final last Sunday between Wah Yan and New Method College. Wah Yan claimed the title with a 4-0 victory.—China Mail photo.



The Army Inter-Unit Knock-out rugby tournament concluded last Wednesday with the final between the Green Howards and Fifth Field Regiment at the Club ground. Two late tries by the Green Howards enabled them to snatch an 8-3 win. Top photo shows the champions and the lower photo the runners-up.—China Mail photos.

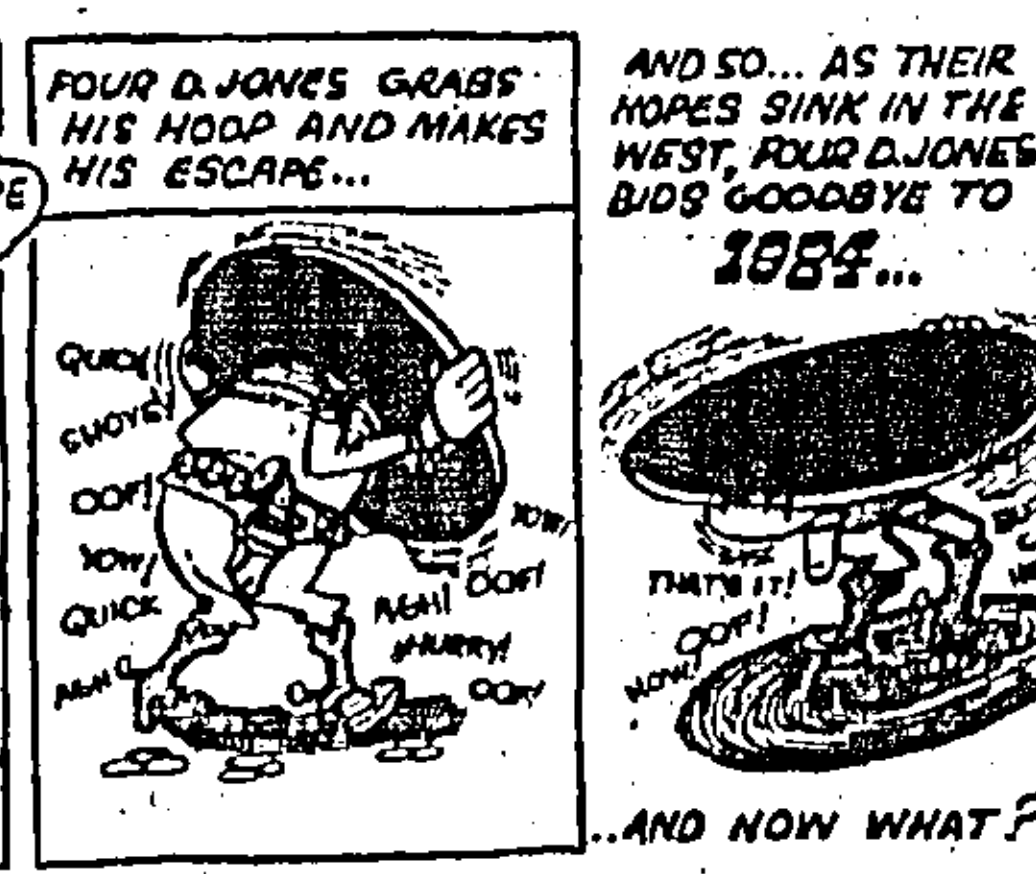


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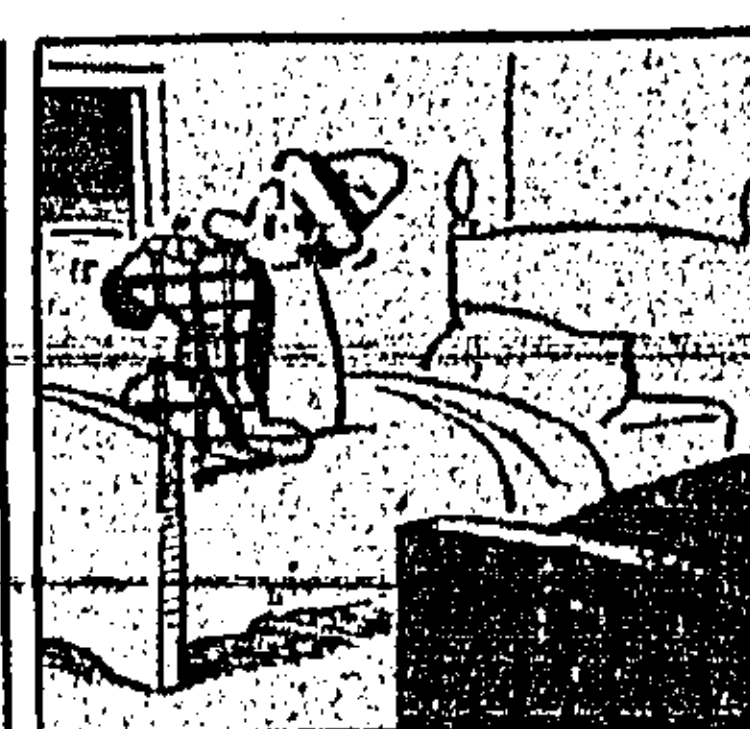
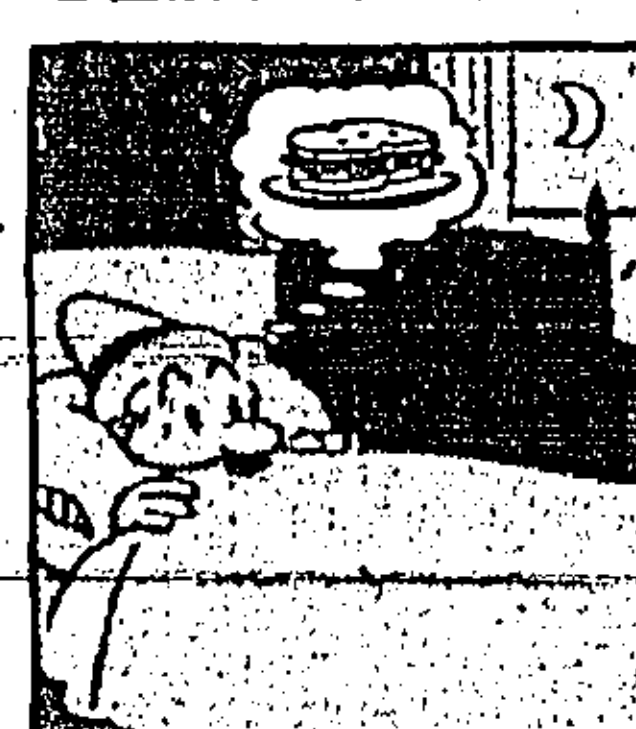
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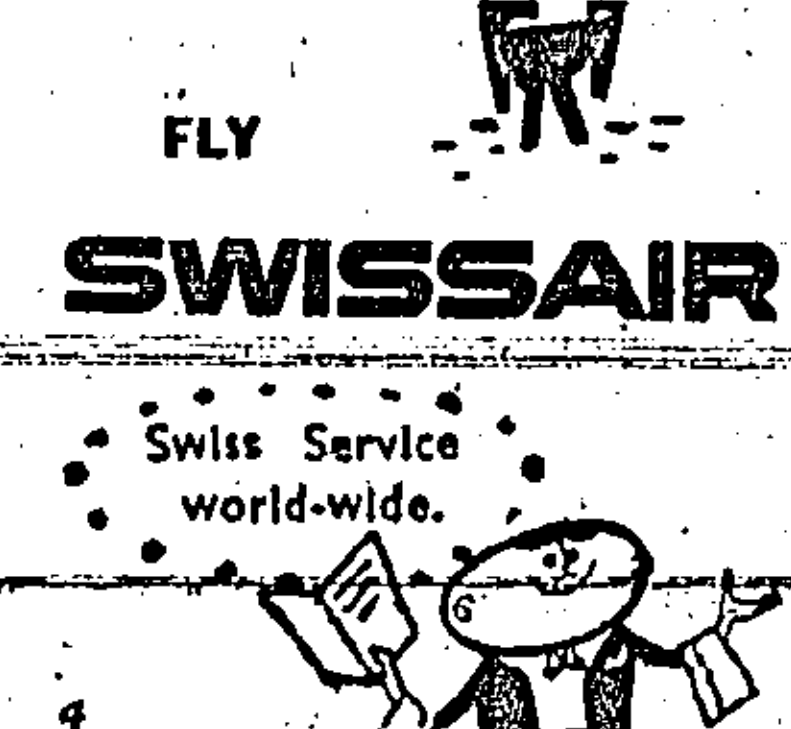
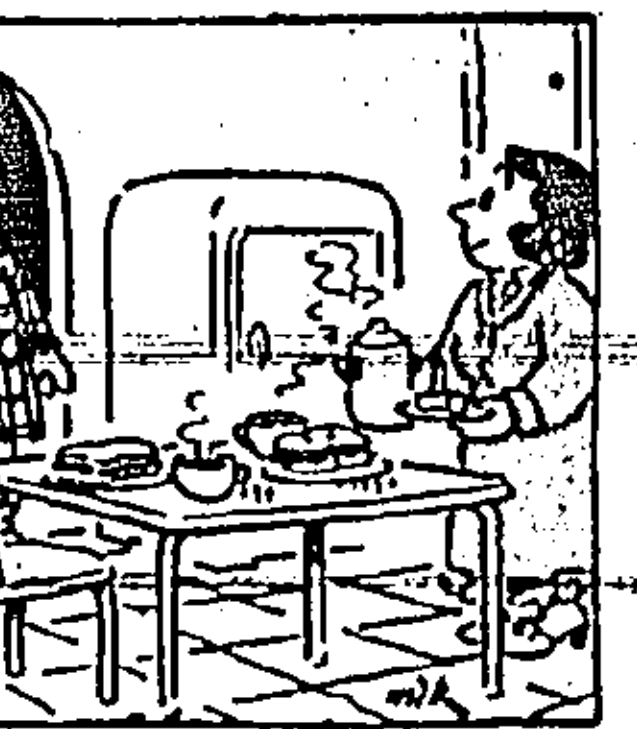
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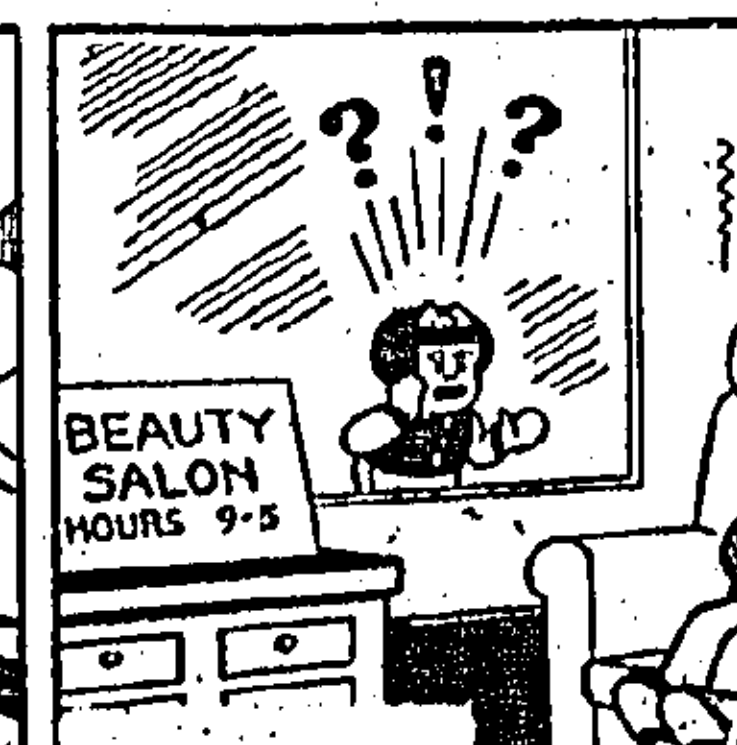
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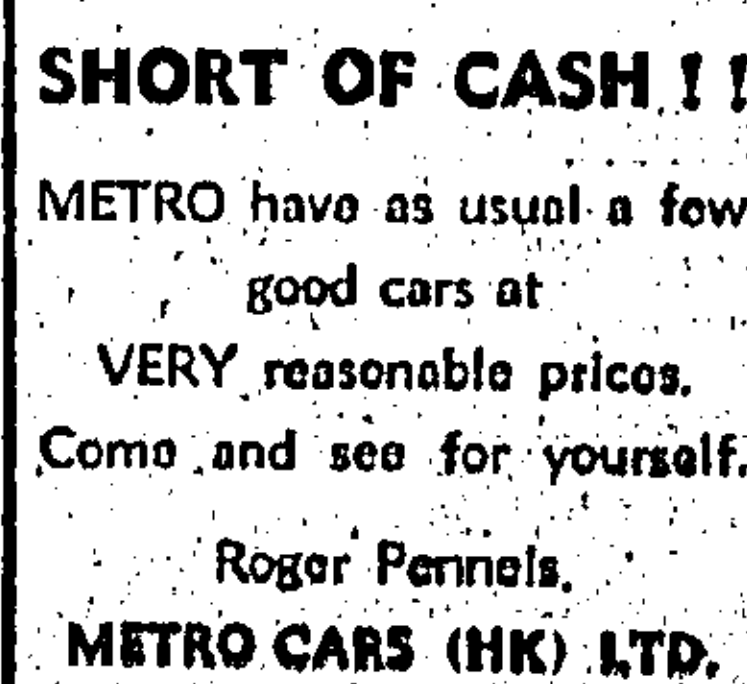
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cessories—bowl, frog, candles,
candelabra, etc. Large selection at
Dunlop's, Garden Road.

POLICE NOTICE

In connection with the
arrangement for the late Sir
Man Kam Lo, C.B.E.,
motorists are requested to
note:—

Owner Driven Cars will not
be permitted to stop in the
vicinity of the Wing Pit Ting,
Pokfulam Road between 10.30
a.m. and 3 p.m., on Thursday
12th March, 1959. There are
no parking facilities.

Chnufer Driven Cars, will
be permitted to stop to enable
passenger to alight. They will
then proceed to park on Mt.
Davis Road, and will be recalled
by Police when required.

The procession route will be
Robinson Road, Park Road,
Bonham Road and Pokfulam
Road to the Wing Pit Ting.

Motorists are requested to
avoid using this route between
10.45 a.m. and 3 p.m., on Thurs-
day 12th March, 1959 if
possible.

Traffic Police will be in
attendance to assist motorists.
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per

**CIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES**
S.S. "MAORI" & "LAOS"

Are hereby notified that their
cargo will be discharged to the
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf &
Godown Co., Ltd.'s Godown where
it will be at Consignee's risk and
subject to the Wharf's terms and
conditions of storage and where de-
livery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left
in the godown for examination by
consignee and the company's
Surveyors, Messrs. Wood & Brown
at 10 a.m. on Wednesday 11th March,
1959.

All claims against the vessel must
be presented to the 10th April, 1959,
or they may not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.
**CIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES**

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1959.

P.O.

R.M.S. "CARTHAGE"

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SALES:

Friday, 13th March, at Noon for the
UNITED KINGDOM, via Singapore,
Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and
Port Said.

BAGGAGE:

Passengers are requested to send ALL
BAGGAGE to the Hongkong &
Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown No. 2
GATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE,
by Noon on Thursday, 12th March.

SPECIAL NOTE:

With the exception of hand packages
carried by passengers themselves,
ALL BAGGAGE must pass through
the Wharf Company's Godown for
loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION:

Passengers should embark between
9.30 and 11.00 a.m. on 12th March,
1959.

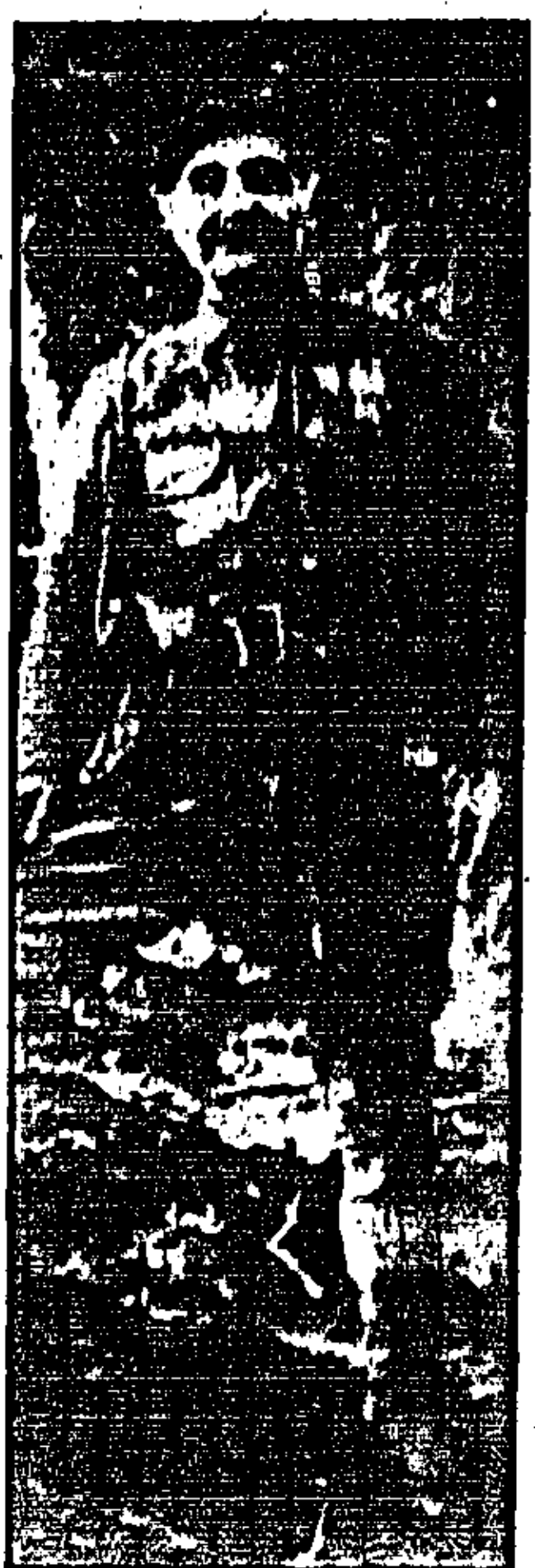
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GRIVAS' REIGN OF TERROR

*He Slew 2 Greek
"Traitors"
For Every Briton*

In just four bloody years, 60-year-old Colonel
George Theodoros Grivas has supervised 500
deaths and a reign of terror among Cyprus's
half-million inhabitants.

Today, with the Greek-Turkish-British agreement on the
island and a pardon for Grivas himself, that reign of
terror is over.



Colonel Grivas
He feared betrayal



Each one resembled the
children of a king—Judges
8:18.

We are all just that. We
are children of the King of
Kings.

Press-Radio Bible Service,
10, Cincinnati, Ohio.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the Sixty-sixth
Annual General Meeting of the
Members of the Company will
be held on Thursday, the
12th day of March, 1959, at
11 a.m. at the Company's
Registered Office, 4th Floor,
P. & O. Building, for the
transaction of the business
of an Ordinary General Meet-
ing including the following:—

- (1) To receive and consider
the Reports of the Direc-
tors and of the Auditors,
and the Profit and Loss
Account for the year en-
ding 31st December
1958, and the Balance
Sheet as at that date.
- (2) To approve the Dividend.
- (3) To elect Directors.
- (4) To appoint Auditors.

The Register of Members
will be closed from Monday,
the 2nd of March, to Thurs-
day, the 12th of March, 1959,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

F. H. FELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1959.

But still the stocky colonel,
with all his military genius, his
cunning and his fanaticism, has
not accomplished his real aim:
"Enosis"—union with Greece.

For four years, he has waged
a war of sudden death, of
merciless revenge.

For four years he has battled
with the "fanaticalness" and
"cowardliness" of his sub-
ordinates.

For four years he has been
running from 30,000 British
troops, the Turkish Cypriot
underground, Communists, Scot-
land manhunt experts, and the
revenge-seeking relatives of
murdered Cypriots.

All this on an island less than
half the size of Wales, at the
height of his war against the
British, Grivas controlled
8,000 real or would-be terror-
ists.

These included 12 mountain
guerrilla bands, each five-strong,
ready to assassinate in each
Cypriot village, an army of
murder squads (18 in Nicosia
alone), sabotage squads and a
lightning-quick courier service.

With this mainly adolescent
army, the arch-terrorist waged
a relentless kill-and-run war
that had the island in the grip
of unceasing fear.

Many women

For the Grivas war was a
sudden shot in the dark, a bomb
explosion in a busy office, the
chauffeur of a Star-gun in a
crowded street. No one was
safe.

Of the 508 killed between
April 1, 1955, and December 27,
1958, 238 were civilians, many
of them women.

During his war, Grivas had
two obsessions: fear of bet-
rayal, and hatred of Commu-
nism. How many realize
that for every Briton who
fell, two Greeks were killed
as "traitors"?

At the outset, Grivas made it
plain to his Eoka recruits: "I
shall execute anyone failing to
obey me." This he did—to the
letter, in a captured diary, he
wrote: "Should I execute him
with my own hands?"

This same cold-bloodedness
characterized his every tactic.
His "troops" were ordered to
shoot in the back, and flee.
Whether the victim was soldier
or civilian, man or woman, was
not important. Once he planned
to poison all the wells used
by British troops.

Mystery

Why Grivas was never cap-
tured is a mystery. For years
his face, stared down from
thousands of posters all over the
island. Above his photograph
was the heading: "£10,000 Re-
ward." This was reduced, two
years ago, to £1,000.

But he did have at least two
narrow escapes. In June, 1956,
he had to flee from Field
Marshal Sir John Harding's
searching patrols.

Behind him he left his
clothing, his gun, and a
cliff-dwelling he usually dressed
in a ragged, khaki bush
uniform with breeches and
part of the now famous Grivas
diaries.

Two months later, two British
soldiers surprised him for re-
ported that they had seen a
mountain stream, but he had
disappeared behind an out-
cropping of rocks before they
could aim.

Feared

It is true that Greek Cypriots
call Grivas a hero. But it is
equally true that he is more
feared than any of the British
troops who hunted him.

He also could they regard
a man whose orders cut down
pastorists in church, women in
hospital, youths in schools and
monasteries? Once, he even
ordered the "execution" of a
policeman while the victim
cried his wife and newborn
child in a maternity home.

All this, of course, was fear-
fully effective among ordinary
Cypriots.

Not so effective, however,
were Grivas's three abortive at-
tempts on the life of Field
Marshal Sir John Harding, in-
cluding the planting of a bomb
in the Governor's bed.

George Theodoros Grivas was
born on May 23, 1899, in the
tiny, dusty village of Trikomo,
near Famagusta, the son of a
grocer.

Greek nationalism affected
him early. Even as a school-
boy in Nicosia's Pan-Cyprian
Gymnasium, he was an expert
in Greek War of Independence
among his friends. Grivas
was a natural-born leader. He
faced one. Physically, he was

tough; mentally, he was intol-
erant, argumentative and stub-
born.

At 19, he ran away from
home and sailed to Athens,
where he took up Greek na-
tionally and won a scholarship
to the military academy.

By 24, he was an artillery
officer serving in the Greek
Army's ill-fated campaign in
Asia Minor.

By 30, he was a staff officer,
and chosen for special train-
ing at France's L'Ecole
Supérieure de Guerre.

When Italy stabbed at Greece
in 1940, Grivas dropped his
tactics lectures at the Salonika
Training School and, as a
Lieutenant-colonel, took com-
mand of the Second (Athens)
Division.

Fascism

The collapse of Greece meant
the end of the hope of Grivas's
military ambitions—at least in
the conventional field.

When the Germans occupied
Athens, he did not race to the
mountains to join his com-
patriots in guerrilla resistance.

Now it was terrorism.
Brutal café killings, prowling
cars with machine-guns prop-
truding from side-windows,
marked the new era.

He skulked around the politi-
cal murky until he found a much
worthier cause—Fascism.
Now it was terrorism.

Soon, he had organized the
nucleus of his own ultra-right-
wing gang. "X" it was called—
"X" in Greek. And its job
was to kill Communists.

Furious

"X" swelled like a bull. Soon,
it had its own newspaper, the
Ethnikos Kyrix, or National
Herald. And its posters were
pasted on every bare wall.

Peace and the king's return in
1946 brought no honours for
Grivas.

He was furious. And it was
while in this fury that he met
for the first time a 27-year-
old deacon of the Saint Irene
Church named Michael

Mouskous. Mouskous was to be-
come, in 1950, Archbishop
Makarios III, head of the Auto-
cephalous (Independent) Church
of Cyprus and Ethnarch (Leader
of his people).

For these two men—both un-
equivocal in their aims—the
meeting was fortunate. For
Cyprus, it was calamitous.

Willing

No sooner was he an Arch-
bishop, than Makarios began
thinking of "liberating" his
small plot of Britain's Empire.
Then he remembered the fierce,
nationalistic soldier called
Grivas. Could he help?

Grivas was willing. It was called
at first, "advice" to the
church youth movement called
PEON (Pan-Cyprian National
Organization of Youth), he sud-
denly found himself out-
lined by the suspicious British ad-
ministration. He fled in dis-
order.

But PEON was the start.
In Grivas's Makarios found
a man who had all the qual-
ities the Athenian politician
lacked: purpose, and an in-
extinguishable ambition to link
Cyprus with Greece.

First blow

While high-ranking priests
noddled on seats in Cypriot
monasteries, Grivas was busily
organizing arms shipments for
Eoka's first blow.

At 10 p.m., on a wild and
windy night in November, 1954,
Grivas smuggled himself, and
the arms, ashore at Hektorakas,
Western Cyprus.

Four days later, he had begun
training his murder and sabota-
ge squads. Nearly five months
later—on April 1, 1955, the first
Eoka bombs shattered the
island's peace.

Many more bombs have been
thrown by Cypriot youths since
that fateful day in 1955. And
Grivas has, at last, found fame.
What now? On April 10,
1956, Grivas prophesied per-
haps recorded this entry in one
of his captured diaries:

"I am certain that when
prayers are awarded after our
struggle we shall get the
prize which others claim
victory. This always happens
in Greece."

PEOPLE
in the newsHappy Marriage
Man Isn't

London.
Dr I. Harvey Flack, the B.M.A.'s love and marriage
expert, confirmed that his own marriage has
just gone wrong after 22 years. But he still
believes in all the guidance he has given to millions
of young couples.



Dr Flack
Read, mark, digest.

Forty-six-year-old Dr
Flack, slightly built, mous-
tached, bespectacled, is the
editor of the B.M.A.'s official
magazine, *Family Doctor*.

Its latest issue of a supple-
ment entitled "Getting Married"
fuses a storm of criticism from
fellow doctors and Church
leaders.

Dr Flack flicked at a cigarette
and said:

"So far as 'Getting Married'
is concerned, I believe in
everything it says. As regards
the break-up of my own
marriage I have nothing to
say. My wife can talk as much
as she likes about it. I shall
never discuss the matter."

He was asked if, as a person
whose own marriage had broken
up, he could still advise young
couples. His answer: "No com-
ment."

It was just before Christmas,
said Dr Flack's 47-year-old
wife, Isabel, that her husband
left their red-brick villa in
Woodside Grange Road, North
E Finchley.

"Everyone was very sur-
prised," she said. "However I
am beginning to get over the
shock."

"I don't know where he is
staying—somewhere—in a
London flat, I have heard. I
can only contact him through
his office at the British Medical
Association."

"It was a bombshell to me.
Until then everything had been
perfectly happy."

A year ago Dr Flack wrote in
his first edition of his maga-
zine's supplement that getting
married was still the most
exciting thing that any young
couple could do.

Skittles

He advised: "The most de-
sperate difficulty can look like
very small skittles if you hold
each other close. Kiss until
you are breathless. Say in
unison a soft 'That's better,' as
indeed it is."

Dr Flack and his wife have
two sons—Robin, 18, who is in
Malaya with the Army, and
Alan, aged 14. Alan is seriously
ill in the children's hospital at
Great Ormond Street, London.

In an introduction to a
previous issue of "Getting
Married," Dr Flack wrote:
"Getting married is easy,
staying married is more dif-
cult. Staying happily married
for a lifetime should rank
among the fine arts."

Introducing the reader to the
booklet, he wrote: "If you
read, learn, and inwardly digest
most of these pages you will
have taken the first steps to-
wards graduating in the won-
derfully fine and subtle art
of staying happily
married."

TARGET

HOW many
of you can
make a
square out
of the letters
in the word
"TARGET"?

Each square may be used only
once. Each word must contain
at least three letters. There must be at
least one letter in each row and
column. No letters may be used
more than once. The words must
be in the same direction. The
words must be at least three letters
long. The words must be in the
same direction. The words must
be at least three letters long.

London Express Service.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE rival claims of art and
science are making life very
difficult for singing mice.

A mouse with a really prom-
ising musical career should be
excused attendance at the
laboratory. "Now in" and was
less temperamental mouse who
should be pressed into service
for trips in rockets and other
experiments. One can sym-
pathize with the angry mice of
East Wittering. Faced with a
call-up by scientists they took
refuge inside a church organ,
where no doubt they practised
many a cantata before being
evicted from their nests.

To and fro

NEW can have read without
tears the account of the
actress who "now in" and was
not asked for her autograph, nor
even interviewed or photo-
graphed. When this happened
to June Monson she returned
to New York by the next plane,
to "give her agent time to
organize things. She then flew
back to London, but there had
been a confusion over the
schedule. Nobody was there to
meet her. So she went back to
New York again by the next
plane.

Uncle Raoul puts in a
word
RAOUL BREVIS to Constance
Brevis:—

...OF COURSE the man's a
thorough rogue, but Vita is old
enough to know her own mind.

Calvert,
To Pay
£4,000, Is
'Livid'

London.
Eddo Calvert, whose
"golden trumpet" became
a show-business gold-
mine, said: "I have never
been so livid in my life."

He had just heard he had lost
the "10 p.c." case brought
against him by his former
manager, Jack Fallon.

Holding hands with his wife
Jocie, the 30-year-old musician,
who trumpeted into the hit
parade with his version of Oh,
Molins Fap, added: "This has
cost me a lot of money, and you
can say that again. It has hurt
my pride, too."

What it is costing

● A bill for £2,000 com-
mission, which he agreed he
owed on earnings about which
he had misled Mr Fallon. Mr
Justice Devlin ordered this to
be paid at once.

Principle

● A bill for £2,000 com-
mission on recording royalties
at 10 p.c. under a contract
signed in 1951 which he re-
pudiated 18 months ago.

Mr Calvert had maintained
that the recording royalties
were excluded from their agree-
ment under a condition covering
contracts existing in 1951.

Giving judgment for Mr
Fallon the judge ordered that
royalties from all sources should
be worked out and bear com-
mission.

He allowed seven days for the
full account to be worked out.

The debonair Mr Fallon, star-
maker who claimed his efforts
made Mr Calvert "a valuable
property" in demand by record-
ing companies, said after the
High Court decision: "I thought
he was a great artist when I
first heard him, and I still do."

Eddo Calvert, he said, was
one of the world's foremost
trumpet players. "I am sorry
he had to fall so hard, but it is
the principle of the thing rather
than the money."

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE only time I met him was
in a Mayfair hotel. He was
the place of a barman who was
ill, and when a companion fol-
lowed ordered a drink Foulmouth
poured it out and drank it him-
self. Everybody laughed, and
he said, "Anybody else like to
stand up and drink?"

Connie dear, I know that's not
your idea of the way to behave,
but somehow the rascal carried
it off, and women seem to re-
cognize that nothing is ever
dull when he's present. Possibly
that's what attracts Vita. I
heard that when somebody asked
him point-blank if he
cheated at cards he said, "I
only swindle people who try to
swindle me." Don't be too hard
on him, Connie.

"Call me Fit"

MORE and more emphasis is
being laid in advertise-
ment on the "decisive" attitude
of the banks. The smiling bank
manager is every man's best
friend. But is not the time ripe
for managers, or glamour-
managers, who would recite
to clients in their offices,
flattering their egos, epigrams
at the mention of an overdraft.
"Ah, Mr. Ralston, it is such a
lovely job being a managerette.
We are so misunderstood. Tell
me about yourself. Call me
Fit—but not in front of the
cashiers."

(London Express Service).

CHINA MAIL ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

FILMS

KING'S & PRINCES: "The
Farson and the Outlaw."
Anthony Dexter, Sonny Tullis,
Mario Windsor.
LEE: 6 p.m. "Deadliest Sin."
A Cantonese Opera.
ASTOR: Cantonese film, "The
How is On."

HOOVER: Ritz. Ernest
Hemingway's prize winning
story "The Old Man and the
Sea," starring Spencer Tracy.
ROXY & BROADWAY: "Intent
to Kill," Richard Todd, Betty
Graves, Herbert Lom.

STARS & STRIPES: "Red's
Little Army," Robert Ryan,
Aldo Ray, Tina Turner.
ORIENTAL & MAJESTIC: "Rally
Round the Flag Boys," Paul
Newman, Joanne Woodward,
Paul Collins, Jack
Warren.

STATE: "Calendar Girl" LI

Mei, Chang Chuan-wen, Peter
Chen Ho.
PARAMOUNT: "A Time to Love
and a Time to Die," John
Gavin, Lilo Salvator.
CANTON: "Violent Play-
ground," Stanley Baker, Peter
Cushing, Anne Heywood,
David McCallum.

NIGHT SPOTS
CARLTON: Metro Francoise
and His Combo.
MAXIMS: Guest Star Ac-
cordionist Shirley Evans and
singer Myra Love. Music by
Francoise Ryanbetta and his
Italian Quartet.

GOLDEN PHOENIX: The
Rocky Fellers Combo and
Backbeat at the piano, Music
by Gille DeLima and his
Dynamite Band. Vocalist
Lita V. Pardo.

RADIO HONGKONG

6.30 p.m.



Italian Shipbuilding Industry To Challenge Europe

By MICHAEL WEIGALL

Rome.

THE Italian shipbuilding industry is ready for the challenge of the European Common Market in spite of setbacks in the world shipping recession, according to officials here.

Figures of output for last year, as well as a plan to build in Italy the world's first atomic-powered tanker, are cited as proof that Italian shipbuilding yards can hold their own in the ambitious programme to knock down trade barriers between the states of Western Europe.

Fifty ships, amounting to 447,000 tons, were completed in Italian yards last year. More than half this tonnage—24 ships totalling 242,000 tons—was built on foreign order.

The tonnage of completed vessels remained at the 1957 level when 63 ships, totalling 450,000 tons, were produced. Sixty-one ships, making up 272,000 tons were completed in 1958.

COMPETITORS
Of Italy's leading competitors in the European economic community only West Germany last year improved on her 1957 figure. One million two hundred fifty thousand tons of shipping was delivered to customers compared with 1,230,000 tons the year before.

Figures for France and Holland were 420,000 tons (457,000 tons in 1957) and 500,000 tons (535,000 tons in 1957) respectively.

The shipping depression, took its toll in Italy last year and only 30 new orders, a total 295,070 tons, were placed in the first six months compared with 52, totalling 415,595 tons, in the same period in 1957. But, in spite of this trend, begun in the second half of 1957, officials say that Italian shipyards have enough orders to keep them busy until 1963 or 1964.

The work of Italian shipyards, which employ a total of 42,000 workers, was highlighted last year by the launching of Italy's biggest post-war liner, the 22,000 ton Leonardo Da Vinci. The liner, expected to be completed in 1960, displaces 11,420 tons and is the pride of the state-subsidised Italia Line, which sank after a collision with a Swedish vessel off the North American coast in 1956.

CHRISTENED
The new ship, which was christened in Genoa by Signora Carla Gronchi, wife of the Italian President, is 232 metres (728 feet) long and will carry 1,300 passengers in 521 cabins at a speed of about 23 knots. The Leonardo Da Vinci is believed to have cost about £11,500,000.

The loss of the Andrea Doria, the worst post-war shipping disaster on the North Atlantic run, was an especially grievous blow to the Italian merchant marine, Italy today has more than 3,000,000 tons of ships under her flag and maintains her position as the world's maritime power.

Twice as many private companies as before World War II are in operation, though the bulk of trade is carried by four state-subsidised companies known as the Finmare group, which accounts, with its 92 ships, for more than 850,000 tons of the whole.

The largest carrier in the group is the Italia Line, whose flags fly on 20 of Italy's biggest ocean-going vessels.

China Mail Special.

No Sparking Switches For Ship's Hold

A NEW range of spark-proof electric switches specially designed for ship's hold where pollution from the atmosphere, fire and explosion risks are present is being produced in Britain.

The switches employ no sparks. They are suitable for 8 amp, starting current and 1 amp running current on 440-volt supplies and can be supplied in a dustproof heavy-duty box with shield and engraved plates. When used on 250 volt supplies they are rated at a maximum of 15 amps.

The switches are made by Westwood & Roberts, Auckland, Co Durham, England.

BRITAIN'S 1959 BUDGET

Speculation Over Tax Concessions

By RONALD BOXALL

London, March 10.

It is just a month to go to what everyone is convinced will be the biggest giveaway budget since the war. Guesses at the size of possible tax concessions vary according to the guessers' estimate of the seriousness of the current industrial recession, and the date of the general election.

On either basis, the case for really big tax cuts has been weakened by recent developments. The recession does not look as serious as many people predicted it would be by this time; indeed there are signs that the worst of it may be over. An actively expansionist budget at this stage may therefore do more harm than good.

As for a general election, the frankly cynical argument that government would take an axe to taxes and then go cock-a-hoop to the country, does not square either with the facts or personalities involved.

Betting

In the space of a month, betting on the main budget news has gone from a shilling off the income tax and a swipe at purchase tax, to sixpence on income tax and "something for industry".

What is certain, is that there will be tax concessions totalling anything from £200,000,000 to £300,000,000. But how they will be apportioned between the various claimants remains one of those perennial mysteries that make the budget such an exciting prospect.

Disagreement on what ought to be done is sharpest at expert level. (The layman is inclined to be indulgent in wishful thinking and rationalise the result.) So this week we have Sir Oscar Hobson, one eminent economist, expressing horror at a plea by Sir Roy Harrod, another eminent economist, for such a slashing of taxation as would unbalance the ordinary budget. "It indicates," writes Sir Oscar, "that he has no thought but to end unemployment at whatever cost, even if it is to be achieved by a policy of such a nature as to bring about a new slump."

Except that booms are popular and slumps are not, and people who have to approve budget proposals, if not those who design them, are politicians to whom the maximisation of popularity is itself a pretty important doctrine.

Will Expand

Sir Oscar (of whom it must be said that he is much more often right than many of his colleagues) takes the view that industry will expand of its own accord if left alone to follow its own lead, and that any action designed to accelerate the process will very likely lead to a new inflationary boom preceding the next slump.

"What is needed most of all," he writes, "is patience and 'unfavourability' so that expansion of production may follow its natural course and not be forced into artificial channels and so inevitably lead to new trouble later on."

Unfavourability is a virtue in a politician as in an economist, but there is always the danger that less charitable people than Sir Oscar will call it inertia. So far the Government have taken very few active steps to stimulate economy. What they have done is to remove the deterrents to consumption and thus with the help of favourable terms of trade, encouraged the demand for industry's products. The trouble is that this demand has not been evenly spread. It has grown for those products for which a big pent-up demand was released, or for the ending of hire-purchase restrictions, but fallen for those on which the future production depends.

Industry already has enough capacity, installed during the boom years, to produce 15 per cent more goods than it does at present and it is showing no inclination to add still further to its capacity while machines and men stand idle. So capital goods industries (the ones who supply an industry's plant and equipment) have been living on their order books.

Some economists consider this rather than unemployment, to be the most serious aspect of the present situation. For unless something is done to stimulate demand for capital goods—in other words, to get industry investment—these order books producing these goods will soon

have no back-log of orders to work on.

And that, as any student of economics can tell you, is the way that real slumps begin. Is unemployment still a virtue in these circumstances? Editors of the London and Cambridge Economic Bulletin seem to think not. "As yet," they wrote last week, "the Government seem to have been so impressed with the danger of attempting too much, that chances have not been fully exploited... to stimulate investment (both directly and indirectly) seem to create less serious risks than the ones which they avoid."

One Voice

A little over a year ago, when inflation was rife, Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, then the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his two Junior Ministers at the Treasury resigned over a matter of an extra £50,000,000 of the Government's expenditure. Today the Government is proposing to spend £230,000,000 more in the coming financial year than it reckoned on spending at the time of the resignations. And hardly a voice was raised in protest.

One that is, is that of Mr. Enoch Powell, former Financial Secretary to the Treasury, until he walked out with Mr. Thorneycroft.

Last week, in terms as strong as one who does not wish to embarrass his leaders can employ, he wrote: "In the absence of any compelling reason to believe that an increase... in the total of Government expenditure is indispensable for taking up whatever 'slack' there may be in economy the objections to such an increase appear to be serious."

So there we have three views, all different, though not necessarily incompatible and all expressed by people who know what they are talking about. The fourth view is that of the ordinary taxpayer who doesn't understand much of what it is all about, but would very much like to have a little more of his own money to spend.—London Express Service.

Yesterday's Closing

COMMODITY PRICES

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK
Closing rates were:
Canada 1.02-0/32
Mexico 1.51-0/16
Others unchanged.—U.P.I.

LONDON
Closing rates were:
New York 2/21-2/22 1/2
Montreal 2/21-2/22 1/2
Copenhagen 19/32-19/34 1/2
Stockholm 19/32-19/34 1/2
Paris 13/7-13/7 1/2
Others unchanged.—U.P.I.

RUBBER

SINGAPORE
Closing rubber prices were:
No. 1 rubber per lb. Mar. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 2 rubber per lb. Mar. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 3 rubber per lb. Mar. 80 1/2-81 1/2
No. 4 rubber per lb. Mar. 80 1/2-81 1/2
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The rubber market was quiet with spot quoted at 20 1/2 pence per lb. Prices:
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HEALTH MEN CLEAR LINER



Mrs. Dickason

Smallpox Scare Delays Ship In Harbour For Two Hours

By THE CHINA MAIL
SHIPPING REPORTER

The Swedish luxury liner, the ms Kungsholm, was delayed for more than two hours this morning while port health authorities investigated the smallpox scare on board the vessel.

One of the crew members who, it was rumoured, contracted the disease, was taken ashore in Manila.

The ship's medical officer was not available this morning, but passengers who had spoken to him said it was not smallpox, but a severe reaction to cholera inoculations.

The ship was due in at Kowloon wharf at 9 a.m. today, but local newsmen were unable to board her until she had been cleared by the health authorities, after 11 a.m.

My Love

Among the passengers was Mrs. Dean Dickason. She has been to Hongkong three times in the last six years. This is her fourth trip. In 1953 she was here together with her husband, a world-traveller, lecturer and film-maker, who was making a film on Hongkong. While shooting scenes in Marden Road on November 12, Mr. Dickason fell off a wall and was killed. Mrs. Dickason said that at first she found it difficult to return to Hongkong after the tragedy, but she added, "It has not dulled my love for Hongkong. It gets a little easier every time."

Mrs. Dickason is at present a lecturer on board the liner and gives lectures and shows films on the various ports of call. When she was here in 1956 she was interviewed on a local radio programme, "For Women Only." She does television work in America.

Terrible Storm

An elderly passenger, Mrs. David Alter, told reporters that she had fulfilled her life-long ambition in returning to Hongkong.

Mrs. Alter, who has been travelling since the age of 15, was last in the Colony four years ago, as a passenger on board the Coronilla, but she recalls there was a terrible storm at the time, and she was not able to see the sights, she had looked forward to seeing.

She said she was more than pleased with the beautiful weather at present. She now had a chance of doing what she was unable to do on the last trip.

Mrs. Alter adopted a Chinese girl 25 years ago, who is at present living in Boston. The Chinese people, she thinks, are one of the friendliest races in the world and "I just love talking with and meeting them."

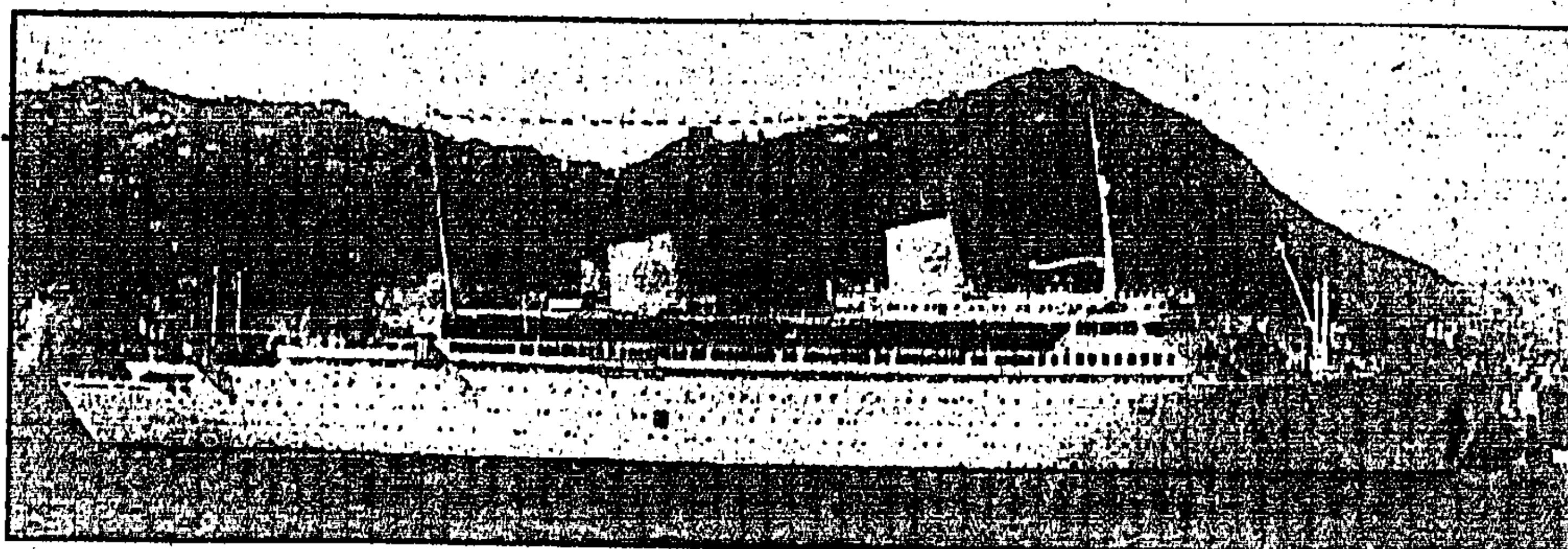
Two other passengers, Messrs Raymond Rousche and J. Frank Julian, commented that they were more than surprised to see so many hills. They said that in the past they had seen only aerial views of the Colony, but had never imagined that there were so many hills.

\$1,000 Each

Mr. Rousche estimated that most of the 170 passengers planned to spend about US\$1,000 each in the Colony during their three-day stay. The Kungsholm leaves the Colony on Friday.

Among the other notable passengers on board, were Lady Bankfoot Abernethy of Scotland, Command and Mrs. Guy S. Ridgeway (Bermuda), Mr. and Mrs. William F. Bullis, owners of a boy's school in Washington, DC, Maj. Gen. L. W. T. Waller, (U.S. Marine Corps, retired), who was also here 31 years ago as a Second Lieutenant in the US Army, the Earl and Countess of Essex, from Somerset, Bermuda, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Zelle, retired life insurance executive, who was formerly Chairman of the Board of the Life Insurance Company of Missouri and president of Life Insurers' Conference.

From Hongkong, the Kungsholm will visit Kobe, Yokohama, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Acapulco, pass through the Panama Canal and arrive in New York on April 18. The entire trip will take in all 100 days.



The Kungsholm in Hongkong harbour this morning.—China Mail Photo.

FALL IN STAR FERRY PASSENGERS But Profit Up

Star Ferry boats carried about 1.2 million passengers less in 1958 compared with the previous year, but Mr. H. D. M. Barton, Chairman of directors, reported this morning that "the results of the Company's operations are nevertheless quite satisfactory."

Net profit showed an increase of \$173,924 to \$1,427,244. The reason for the fall in the number of passengers carried was "competition of alternative routes."

Mr. Barton also made known that there had also been a marked increase in the number of second-class tourists passengers at the expense of the first class during the year as reviewed in his report to the shareholders at the annual meeting.

MORE IN SECOND

More were now travelling in second class than first. Mr. Barton expressed the regret of all present at the death of Sir Man-kam Lo, a member of the Board.

He said Sir Man-kam's wide experience was a great asset to the company during his nine years' office as a director. His death was a great loss to the company.

Mr. Barton extended deepest sympathy to Lady Lo and the family on behalf of the directors. Mr. Barton said the Company's programme of capital replacement was now almost completed and when the last of the new ferries was delivered at the end of this month or early in April, the company would have a modern and efficient fleet of eight ferries capable of serving the needs of the public for many years to come.

11 PC INCREASE

He said that in 1958, the company's ferries carried 36,324,842 as compared with 37,593,591 in 1957, resulting in a decrease of 1,268,749. The increase of second class passengers at the expense of the first class was about 11 per cent to 57.2 per cent in comparison with the 1957 figures.

The new piers on both sides of the harbour are now completed and, as a result, the handling of rush hour traffic has greatly improved. There is still, however, some congestion at the approaches to the piers owing to the construction of the subway under Connaught Road on the Hongkong side, and to the improvements which are being carried out on the Traffic Concourse at Victoria Station. These works are expected to be completed by the end of this Spring. Our new vessels are giving every satisfaction in operation and the abandonment of steam driven craft has resulted in appreciable savings to the company in fuel and maintenance costs.

RE-ELECTED

The recommendation to pay a final dividend of \$0.50, making the total \$9, was passed and the statement of accounts and the directors' report were adopted. Mr. H. Kadoorie, who retired on rotation, was re-elected to the board.

Man Gaoled On Drugs Charge Has Sentence Reduced

A man convicted of possessing dangerous drugs had his sentence reduced in the Full Court today because the District Court judge exceeded his jurisdiction.

The man, Tang Wing, 44, had been fined \$5,000 in default 18 months' imprisonment on a charge of having in his possession 14 oz of barbitone, a dangerous drug.

This penalty was imposed in the District Court by Judge R. H. Mills-Owen, on February 10.

Chan Kang, 58, was fined \$3,000 or 12 months' imprisonment on the same charge, and also appealed today.

THE LAW

The appeals were heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, and Mr Justice Scholes. Tang and Chan told the court they wanted the sentence to run from the date of their arrest, December 12 last year.

The Crown Counsel, Mr. A. Sangulnelli, told the court, "The learned District Judge actually exceeded his jurisdiction when he imposed an 18-month gaol sentence in default of the \$5,000 fine on Tang."

"The law reads that the term of imprisonment in default of a fine shall not exceed one year. The fines, however, were within the judge's jurisdiction," Sir Michael told Chan and Tang: "We would have seen no reason to interfere, if the sentence had been within the jurisdiction. Court orders are permitted to be imposed on people convicted of this kind of offence."

BACKDATED

"But because the sentence on Tang was outside the court's jurisdiction, it will have to be reduced from 18 months to one year. "Also, in view of the time which elapsed between the arrest and the conviction, it would be reasonable to fix the term of imprisonment for both appellants to run from the date of arrest, December 12."

FRENCH ROCKET REACHES 150 MILES

Oran, March 10. French specialists tonight launched a Veronique rocket from the Hammam-Guir launch, ing base.

It was the second launching of a Veronique rocket. The first rocket reached a height of 107 miles, ejecting, at an altitude of 80 miles, a sodium cloud for experimental purposes.—France-Press.

French A-Blast In April?

Washington, March 10. France intends to carry out its first atomic bomb test in April, the American weekly magazine Newsweek reported today.—Reuter.



MISS TOMBLIN

British Council Executive Leaves HK

Miss Janet Tomblin left Hongkong this morning after serving on the British Council for the past six years. Miss Tomblin will be spending five months' leave in the UK before taking on a new assignment.

Miss Tomblin, who was one of the people responsible for the introduction of the Hongkong Festival of the Arts, said prior to her departure by BOAC this morning, that she had been lucky to have stayed in Hongkong as long as she had, and to have made so many friends.

Baby A-Bombs

Washington, March 10. The United States has developed "miniature atomic weapons of a power of one ton of TNT," the Atomic Energy Commission indicated in a report published today.—France-Press.

Respectable, Not Bandits

New York, March 10. A bank-robbing foursome told police today that they were not common bandits, but respectable professional men — who had the urge to rob a bank.

The four were arrested as they counted the \$72,000 taken at machinegun point from a bank yesterday in a New York suburb.

During their hold-up, the men wore rubber masks, and calmly emptied cash drawers into paper bags.

They waved machineguns at terror-stricken bank employees, then left a tear bomb to help their getaway — but the bomb didn't go off.

When the police caught up with them, the four blandly informed the law enforcement men that they were not at all professional robbers, but an insurance salesman, an industrial designer, a plumber and a nightclub owner.—France-Press.

Bus Slams Into Queue: Two Killed

Pittsburgh, March 10. At least two persons were killed and 14 were injured today when a commuter bus slammed into a crowd waiting to board a trolley at the height of the evening rush hour in the downtown area.

Several of the injured were hurled through a large plate glass window at Kaufmann's department store. Police recruited about 40 men and used a jack to lift the bus from its injured position.

The bus driver said his brakes failed as he approached the trolley from the rear. He said he had to choose between hitting the trolley and swerving into the curb.—U.P.I.

This Funny World



"Rainbow Boy in the fifth isn't my idea of a tip."

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CLOUDY WEATHER ON THE WAY

The weather's fine today, but it is not likely to last for long, a spokesman of the Royal Observatory said this morning.

Today's maximum temperature, with practically cloudless skies, is expected to be about 68 degrees, or six degrees above yesterday's maximum. The spokesman said the fine weather would probably change tomorrow, and the outlook is "cloudy."

Douglas 'Worst'

Hollywood, March 10. Actor Kirk Douglas, amused at being named the worst actor of 1958 by the Harvard Companion, undergraduate humour magazine, fired off a telegram to the college boys reading: "Please send the trophy prepaid."—U.P.I.

May Meeting

Paris, March 10. French sources said here tonight after the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, had had talks with President Charles de Gaulle that a likely time and place for an East-West foreign ministers conference was Geneva at the beginning of May.—Reuter.

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